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Through the Editor's Specs

BY BAB

Experience with last year's auspicious beginnings and abrupt reversal, rainwise, makes us rather chary of predicting a break in the long, long drouth. As a matter of fact, according to the city gauge, considerably more rain had fallen to the corresponding time last year than has fallen this season. When I mentioned that to Cecil Shults he didn't believe it and called his home to get a run down from his own calendar. It supported the city record.

But there are hopeful omens, nevertheless. As Mrs. Shults remarked, this year's rain has been wetter rain. By that is meant that the approximately six inches of rain received to date, has fallen in such a way that the soil has received the full benefit and there have been no drying winds to rob the ground of the moisture. There have been many slow and soaking showers and practically all of the time the weather has been cool and cloudy and wind-free so that evaporation has been at a minimum and the moisture has penetrated. Even the two-inch rain which fell Monday night and Tuesday morning fell slowly. As a result, moisture conditions as we enter a new crop cycle are far better than they have been at any comparable time in the past five or six years. Whether they will continue to be favorable depends upon whether or not there will be summer rains, but at least the character of the weather and other indications make us hopeful that the predictions of that Fort Worth weather prognosticator whom we quoted in these columns some weeks ago were true.

In contrast to this season's extended series of showers, most of 1956 rainfall to the same period in April fell in one big rain early in the month. After May hardly another drop fell.

Next week is Clean-up, Paint-up, Fix-up week, as you will note from the advertisements in this issue of the Record asking your cooperation in carrying out an effective campaign for getting rid of unsightliness and improving your property during the period. The city is offering its services in carrying away trash and rubbish which cannot be satisfactorily or safely burned on the premises, and now is a mighty good time to do a good job of cleaning up. It is a good time to make repairs, to spread some paint and to do that re-wiring or other property improvement job. With the good rains to date all of us should be feeling better and more inclined to make an investment in better property values and appearance. Remember, good looks have an economic value.

Marrs Jewelry Shop Opens in Rising Star

Roy Marrs recently of San Antonio has opened a watch and clock repair shop in Rising Star in the building next door to the Joyce Insurance Agency on South Main Street. Mr. Marrs also carries a stock of jewelry, costume jewelry and watch bands and plans to add a used furniture department.

His parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ollie D. Marrs, also formerly of San Antonio, purchased the David Perkins dairy northwest of Rising Star about two months ago and now operate it. Mr. Marrs makes his home with his parents.

ATTEND FUNERAL

Among those attending the funeral for Burette Gray Saturday, April 13, were Mrs. Noble Gray, Wichita Falls, Mrs. R. J. O'Donnell and Mrs. J. C. Barron, Fort Worth, daughters of Richard Gray of Carbon; Joe Gray, Girard; Earl Braly, Austin; Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Zellars, Big Spring; Mr. and Mrs. Harold Walker, Odessa; Mr. and Mrs. John Joyce, Fort Worth, and Mr. and Mrs. H. H. of Abilene.

Pecan Growers Meet Here Friday

Rev. Ed Jackson New Pastor of Baptist Church

The new pastor of the First Baptist Church of Rising Star is the Rev. Ed H. Jackson, of Fort Worth.

The 36-year-old minister, a former electronics student at Texas University, a graduate of Howard Payne College, Brownwood and now completing his courses at Southwestern Theological Seminary, Fort Worth, accepted at once when the congregation of the church voted to call him to succeed the Rev. Willie C. Hazel, after the evening services Sunday. The Rev. Mr. Hazel completed his pastorate with the services April 14, when he left to assume the pulpit of a San Diego, Calif., church. Thus the local church was, to all practical purposes, without a break in the succession of pastors.

The new minister, his wife and their 9-year-old son, Dick, will not move their home here until the end of the school term at Fort Worth, five weeks hence, the Rev. Jackson commuting between that city and his new pulpit. He will also finish the current term at Southwestern Theological Seminary. He is a native of Arkansas and was pastor at Cross Cut while a student at Howard Payne College, so that he is not a stranger to this section. Mrs. Jackson is also a student at the Seminary.

The call was unanimously extended by the church in a conference after the evening services Sunday. He accepted at once.

The new pastor will be back each Sunday to conduct both services but will not be here Wednesday evening for the prayer meeting service. The Rev. Russell Dennis of Howard Payne College, Brownwood, will come here for that service.

Missionary to Speak Sunday at Methodist Church

The Rev. Jalmar Bowden, who was reared in Rising Star, Texas, and who has been a missionary to Brazil for more than 30 years, will preach at the First Methodist Church Sunday morning at 11 o'clock, the Rev. R. A. Brooks, Jr., pastor, announced.

Following the services there will be a community covered dish luncheon in the basement of the church at which time the Rev. Mr. Bowden may meet his old friends and others of the community.

Members and friends of the church were invited to bring two dishes and share in the luncheon and the fellowship program.

To Present Piano Pupils in Recital

Vera Butler will present her Elementary school piano students in recital Monday evening, April 29th, at 8 o'clock in the High School gym-auditorium. There will be no charge for admission and the public is invited.

Pupils taking part on the program are Sharolyn Roach, Sherry Lynn Jones, Julia Watkins, Lee Anna Chalk, Donna Chalk, Sandra Teague, Marcia Lee, Louise Fraley, Billy McCollum, Sharon Donham, Judy Lewis, Verna Lee Hazel, Ollie Winfrey, Carolyn Cawley, Rita White and Maria Geye.

Ushers will be Linda Koonce and Sharon Starks.

Former Minister Here Dies April 6

W. Forrest Grady, a former minister of the Church of Christ in Rising Star, died in a Little Rock, Ark., hospital Saturday, April 6. He was 44 years of age.

Burial was in Oakland Cemetery at Hutcheson near Batesville.

Pecan growers of Eastland and adjoining counties and other directly or indirectly interested in pecan culture meet in Rising Star Friday for the annual Eastland County Pecan Field Day.

The program will be in two parts, with a lecture series at the American Legion Hall beginning at 10 o'clock in the morning. There will be discussions of various phases of pecan culture by such experts as B. G. Hancock of the Texas A&M Extension Service; L. G. Romberg of the U. S. Pecan Experiment Station at Stephenville, and J. W. Foster, Jr., of Weatherford.

Early in the afternoon there will be a meeting of the Eastland County Pecan Growers Association to consider adoption of a constitution and by-laws and to begin a drive for members. Oscar Schaefer of Nimrod is president of the association, membership in which is open to growers, not only of this county, but of adjoining counties as well.

After this business meeting, demonstrations will take place in the C. E. Smith orchards in southwest Rising Star.

The program, jointly sponsored by the County Extension Service, the Eastland County Pecan Growers Association and the Rising Star Chamber of Commerce, is being arranged by County Agent J. M. Cooper of Eastland.

Shallow Oil Well Successes Spur Drilling Interest

Successes in shallow oil areas around Rising Star have spurred new interest in these horizons in recent weeks. In the Blake area, ten miles southwest, Ray Pierce of Eunice, N. M., successfully sandfractured his McClanahan No. 1, previously plugged and then re-entered, the well responding from the 1,200-foot pay with a reported 200-barrels daily initial production. Pierce subsequently sold the lease to the Clark Development Company of Odessa.

The Imperial Petroleum Company of Houston then drilled its Claud Kellar No. 1 as a north offset to the McClanahan and got a good producer in the same sand, which was also treated with sandfrac.

Northwest of Rising Star, Wm. E. and Charles Tyler are drilling on the Brawner tract north and west of the Pauline Roberts tract, in the area where the Sam Eakin No. 1 Fred Roberts responded to sandfrac treatment with a remarkable increase in production.

Nine miles east of Rising Star, on the Joiner ranch, formerly the Swfit ranch, Godel, et al, have completed a well at 1460 feet for an estimated 12 barrels daily. The well came in naturally, with no treatment.

Mr. and Mrs. Ross Yarborough of Ysleta are here visiting her brother, Fay Turner, and Mrs. Horton Morrison Sunday.

Next Week Is Clean-Up, Fix-Up Time

Next Monday begins the annual Clean-Up, Paint-Up, Fix-Up campaign in Rising Star when the cooperation of all citizens and property owners is solicited in a drive to make Rising Star spic and span as the Spring and Summer season begins.

The first three days of the week will be allowed for citizens to clean up their premises and collect such trash and other refuse which cannot be disposed of on the lot, for hauling away by the city trucks.

The trucks will begin their rounds Thursday morning, Mayor Walter Smith said. Trash to be hauled may be placed in the alley, if there is one which the trucks may enter conveniently. If not it should be placed at the front in an accessible place.

Waste paper and other refuse which may be burned should be disposed of on the premises, he said, and heavy objects such as trees and old lumber cannot be hauled. Residents should make arrangements to remove this by other means.

Rising Star Relay Team to Compete In State Meet

Rising Star track and field team placed fifth in a field of 61 schools which participated in the regional track and field meet held at Brownwood High stadium, Brownwood, Wednesday of last week.

The Rising Star speedsters took first place in the sprint relay, and third places in the 100 yard dash, the 880 yard run and the mile relay to accumulate 11 points, one point behind Eastland. Richland Springs won the meet.

The sprint relay team which Coach Ray Nunnally will take to the State meet at Austin May 3 and 4, is composed of Jerry Davis, Bob Needham, Eugene Bishop, Howard Walker and J. C. Butler.

Needham took third place in a close finish in the 100 yard dash, and Jerry Davis placed third in the 880-yard run. The mile relay team was composed of Bishop, Davis, Needham and Butler.

Winners of meets held in 18 districts competed in the meet.

Mrs. John Clark's grandchildren had an Easter egg hunt at the home of Mrs. O. L. Burns Sunday afternoon. Present were Bob, Frazier and Jack Clark, Gala and Nancy Swift, Becky Lucas and Peggy Burns.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Don Hickman and Phil Horton of College Station were here to visit Mrs. R. A. Horton and Mr. and Mrs. O. R. Shults.

Mr. and Mrs. Ace Bingham and daughter, Grace Ladean, and her friend from Stamford visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Horton Morrison Sunday.

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the general health and welfare of our community depend upon wholesome surroundings and good, clean, living conditions, and

WHEREAS, the lives and property of our people are endangered by fire and disease, the threat of which is present in littered and unkempt conditions about our homes, businesses and streets, and

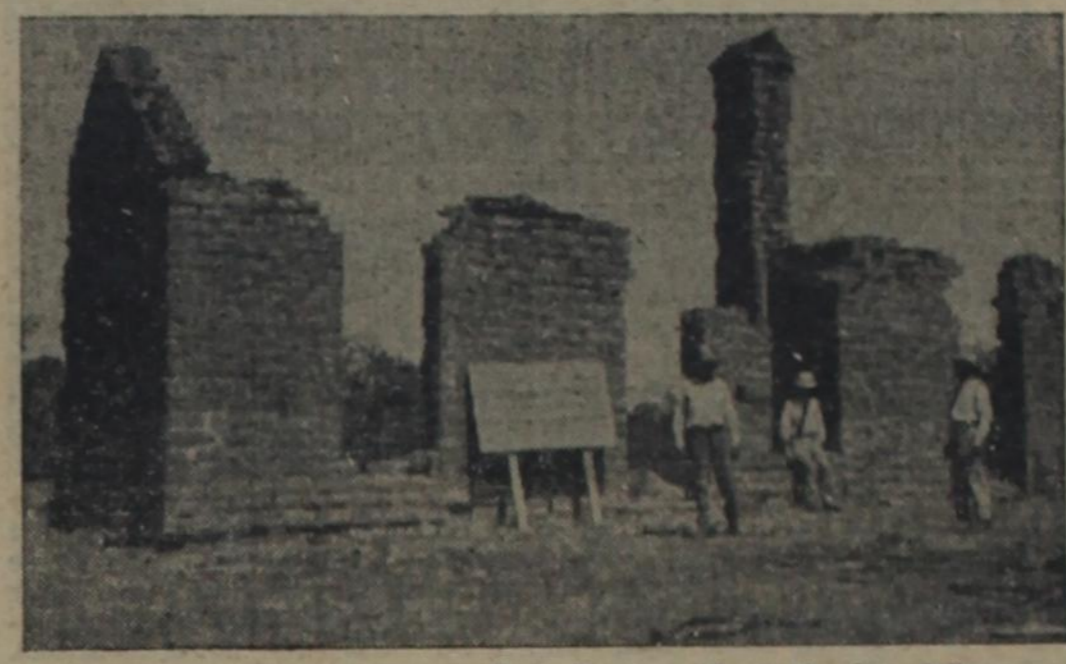
WHEREAS, unity of effort is required for the improvement of our community and to maintain it in a clean, healthful and attractive condition,

THEREFORE, I, WALTER SMITH, MAYOR OF THE CITY OF RISING STAR, do hereby designate April 29 to May 4, as CLEAN-UP, PAINT-UP, FIX-UP WEEK in Rising Star, and do call upon all the departments of the city, its commercial, business and social organizations, schools, churches and individual citizens to cooperate in a community drive to insure the best success of this effort.

Given under my hand and seal, this the 21st day of April, A. D., 1957.

WALTER SMITH, Mayor

The City of Rising Star, Texas



Stark ruins of Fort Griffin, a key military post in driving hostile Indians into government reservations and pushing the frontier westward, occupy one part of Fort Griffin State Park on U. S. Highway 283 between Albany and Throckmorton. Other attractions are the State Longhorn Herd, a typical ranch house and shaded picnic spots along the Clear Fork of the Brazos River.

Teachers Elected For 1957-58 Term Of Schools Here

Teachers in the Rising Star Public Schools were re-elected at a meeting of the Board of Trustees at the City Hall office of the board Tuesday night.

At an earlier meeting of the board administrative officers had been elected with the exception of a principal for the Ward School. No action was taken by the board to fill this post Tuesday night.

Teachers elected at the Tuesday meeting, all of them subject to placement, are:

Madalyn Sone, Etta Mae Tyler, Lois Ferrell, Margaret Sherrill, Betty Jo Fisher, Edward Watkins, Alice Wheeler and Martha Jay Childress, now teaching at Ward School, and

Mary A. Claborn, Dorothy N. Shook, H. N. Chambers, H. L. Geye, Mrs. Billie Nowlin and Peggy Tate, now teaching in the High School. Miss Tate is band director.

Rufus Pierce and T. C. Crisp were re-elected janitors.

At the earlier meeting Supt. Sam Jones and principal Ray Nunnally at the High School, were re-elected.

The faculty loses one teacher because of a lower attendance average this year. The lower rate is due to the prolonged drouth which caused a number of families with children to leave farms and seek employment elsewhere.

T. H. Charters Is Buried April 11th At Wolf Valley

Funeral services for T. H. Charters, 78, who died of a heart attack while driving his car on Highway 183 near the Brownwood Municipal airport on Wednesday, April 10, were held at Wolf Valley church, south of Rising Star, on Thursday afternoon, April 11. Burial was in Wolf Valley. There were Masonic rites at the grave.

Mr. Charters, a resident of Brownwood for two years preceding his death, and his wife had been visiting Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Nichols near Rising Star, and were returning to their home when Mr. Charters was stricken at the wheel of his car and died almost immediately. The car left the highway and ran through a fence injuring Mrs. Charters slightly.

For most of his life, Mr. Charters lived in the May community where he was a farmer. More recently he had farmed in the Lubbock area retiring after a number of years and moving to Brownwood.

He is survived by his second wife, four sons, Arthur of Brownfield, Homer and Sam of Corpus Christi and Bill of El Paso, and two daughters, Mrs. Winnie Jones of Burnet and Mrs. Ruth Mayes of Big Lake.

Rufus Sims and bride of Odessa were here to visit his grandmother, Mrs. Ruby New; also, Roy Fenwick and wife and O. J. Green and wife were here. Mr. and Mrs. Aaron of Lubbock also visited here.

Mr. and Mrs. L. G. Swift and daughters, Gala and Nancy, of Andrews, visited in the home of Mr. Swift's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ira Swift, and with Mrs. Swift's mother, Mrs. John Clark.

Mrs. H. S. Childress Buried in Rites Friday, April 19

Funeral services for Nellie G. Childress, 70, wife of H. S. Childress, long time, prominent Rising Star business man, were held at the First Methodist Church Friday afternoon, April 19, at 3 o'clock following her death at 3:30 p.m. Thursday at Rising Star Hospital.

The Rev. R. A. Brooks, Jr., pastor of the church, officiated and burial was in Rising Star cemetery with Higginbotham Funeral Home directing.

Mrs. Childress, who had been ill for 18 years, the last three of which she had been bedfast, suffered an attack of influenza a few days a week earlier and her condition rapidly became serious. She was removed to the hospital Monday, April 15, but she had been so weakened by her long illness that she sank into a coma and died peacefully Thursday.

Mrs. Childress was a native of Hunt County, Texas, where she was born Nellie G. Venable on April 6, 1887. Her parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. S. Venable, moved to near Rising Star while she was a child and most of her life was lived in this community.

She was married on September 11, 1907, to Hugh S. Childress and the couple then moved to Toyah where Mr. Childress was employed for three years by a mercantile firm. They then went to Gilmer, in East Texas, Mr. Childress' home town, where Mr. Childress worked for several years in the F&M National Bank. In 1919 they returned to Rising Star where Mr. Childress has been a merchant ever since, now owning and operating the Childress Dry Goods Company.

They have one daughter, Martha Jay Childress, who is a member of the faculty of the Rising Star Public Schools.

Prior to her illness Mrs. Childress was active in the First Methodist Church of which she was a devoted member and after she was forced to confine herself to her home because of her illness she maintained a close and constant interest in the affairs of the church. During all her illness she was remarkably cheerful and uncomplaining.

Besides their daughter, Mrs. Childress is survived by her husband; two brothers, Leo Venable of Pueblo, Colo., and Otho Venable of Dallas, and one sister, Miss Eva Venable of Dallas.

Pallbearers for the services were Elgie Crisp, Glen Henry, Dixon Boggs, J. C. Claborn, Tommy Lewis and Chuck Elliott.

Purchase Home On North Main

Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Dean Nichols have purchased a residence from Alex Conner on North Main Street where they will make their home. They are now improving and redecorating the residence and will move into it shortly. The house will be enlarged to include a room where Mr. Nichols will establish the Nichols TV Service Shop.

TV and other household appliances will be carried at Nichols Cleaners in the business district.

Jimmy is the son of Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Nichols.

Miss Tressie Fay Chambers has returned from Comanche where she had her tonsils removed. She is able to be back in High School.

Two Inches Of Rain Falls Here Tuesday

Rains measuring from two to two and a half inches fell generally over the Rising Star area Monday night and early Tuesday. They brought to nearly six inches the amount of moisture that has been received here since the first of the year and barring hail or damaging windstorms practically guaranteed an early grain crop, a bumper fruit crop and immeasurably brightened prospects for a good melon crop and peanut plantings.

Pastures were in excellent condition and stock water was replenished. As a whole the agricultural picture appeared brighter than it has been at a corresponding time in any year since 1950 encouraging the hope that the prolonged drouth has been broken and farmers were at last facing the prospect of a big crop year.

Although last year's rainfall to the same time was slightly greater than the amount that had fallen here this season, generally over the country precipitation has been heavier this year, while the manner in which it has fallen has given a much better moisture condition than in several years at this time. Rains have been slow and frequent and there has been very little drying wind.

The city gauge showed an even two inches at 8 o'clock Tuesday morning, bringing the total for the year in Rising Star to 5.77 inches.

Reports from north of town, from Amity on the east, Pioneer on the west and May to the south showed that about the same amount of rain was received over the territory generally. Much of the section, however, received heavier rains during previous periods of rainfall.

The demand for farms was expected to be stimulated by the prospects of good moisture. Fruit men reported that, barring hail, they would harvest almost a 100 per cent crop, the first such in years. Grain, although much of it was already heading, has been greatly benefited. Ninety per cent of the crop was expected to be boosted in its yield. Outlook for a big melon crop was much improved. Pastures were in wonderful condition.

Singers Reunion To Be Held April 27 and 28 at Brady

BRADY.—The annual Heart O' Texas Singers Reunion will be held in the Brady High School auditorium Saturday and Sunday, April 27 and 28.

Among the visiting quartets will be the famous Cavaliers Quartet of Fort Worth, featuring Del Clever. Others will be the ville, the Gospelsaires of Midland, Glory Morning Singers of Gatesville, the Brown family of Fort Worth, the Adams Trio of Monahans, the Melo Dears of Brady and the well known Capitol City Quartet of Austin.

A concert by the visiting quartets will open the activities Saturday night. There will be singing all day Sunday.

For the convenience of the singers a barbecued chicken or a roast beef lunch can be had for a reasonable price at noon Sunday in the school cafeteria.

Mrs. A. C. Stewart of Voca is president of the association and cordially invites the public to attend.

Visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. O. O. Wolf were Mr. and Mrs. Elbert Jackson and her sister, Mrs. Baxter Barnette and Mrs. Jim Patton, and daughter and niece were visitors from Jacksonville, Texas. Also visited Mr. and Mrs. Hammett.

Mr. and Mrs. ... two children Oklahoma, Mrs. Hazel Keith, and Mrs. ...

Amity HD Club Has Workshop for Crafts April 15th

On April 15 eight members and five visitors of the Amity HD Club, spent all day very pleasantly and profitably in the club house. Straw braid hats, bags and baskets were the main articles worked on. However, other crafts were on exhibit to be copied later. Mrs. A. D. Jones is quite good in making everything and had a large round rag rug on display and her daughter, Miss Fairel, brought an ivy planter belonging to Mrs. Houser of Sipe Springs, made of papier mache and shellacked in the shape of a log and natural looking birds perched on knots. It is very attractive and all present planned to make one later. Mrs. Stodghill is another talented person in making lovely things and had baskets, pillow cases and showed many ribbons she had won at fairs on her work.

Mrs. E. R. West had crocheted pieces. Mrs. Ware and Mrs. Heath had been asked to help us in hatbag and basket making and all present after working steadily all morning, were glad when the noon hour came to partake of a complete meal of delicious food brought by all for the covered dish luncheon. Mrs. Heath asked the table blessing. Recipes were exchanged at the table. Dish washing committee was composed of Mmes. E. R. West, I. A. White and Guy Taylor. So all worked at something without a complaint. Mrs. Oscar White cut tulip apron patterns for all present. The original belonged to Mrs. Heath.

At the regular meeting hour Mrs. Stodghill called us to order and had the opening song "What a Friend We Have in Jesus." The club prayer, motto and pledge followed, as the Rising Star visitors had to leave to attend church societies. Mrs. Ware was presented a range set and Mrs. Heath a box of birthday cards, in appreciation of their instruction. Mrs. Ham of Rising Star and Mrs. Flo Appleby of De Leon came with them as visitors. After their departure we resumed our business session. Mrs. Stodghill appointed Mrs. Homer Smith and Mrs. I. A. White as a social committee to plan something to aid our club financially in future club work. Parts were given out for a defense program to be given at a later date. The club extends thanks to Mrs. Nick Petty of May for a cash donation in appreciation of our club activities.

After all items of business and reports were completed, Mrs. Stodghill, hostess for this meeting, assisted by Mrs. Taylor, served punch and home baked cookies, which were refreshing even after the heavy noon meal. Mrs. Buster Brown, a visitor, drew the club gift. Recreation was led by Mrs. I. A. White and caused much laughter.

This day was such a grand success, we voted to have all day meetings often. The next



Photo by Roger Parker
Large picnic facilities are built in Palmetto State Park for the convenience of nature students, scientific societies and other large groups who visit this unusual semi-tropic botanical area near Ottine. Palmetto State Park's astonishing vegetation includes native orchids and other exotic plants far from their usual locations. The park takes its name from an abundance of dwarf palmettos that ordinarily would be seen in Florida. Sphagnum bogs, mud bolls and an astonishing number of rare birds and butterflies attract people to this park, off U. S. Highway 153 about midway between Gonzales and Luling.

Sipe Springs News

By Mrs. T. A. Weaver

Guests of Miss Effie Foster Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. "Wid" Stanfield of Lamesa, Mr. and Mrs. Fritz Foster of Mineral Wells, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Ray Foster, Austin, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Henderson of Rising Star, and Mrs. Deward Burks and Becky of Comanche.

Miss Mary Jane Elliott is home and is doing nicely after undergoing surgery at the Gorman hospital.

Visitors in the T. A. Weaver home Sunday were Mrs. R. W. Cagle of Big Spring, Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Erwin and granddaughter of Rising Star, Byron Armstrong and son of Big Spring and Mr. and Mrs. John J. Joyce of Fort Worth.

Mrs. Mazie Zellars had as her week end guests Mr. and Mrs. Brashear of Ranger and Mr. and Mrs. Junior Crawford.

Mrs. Jocie Whiteside has returned home from the Cisco hospital and is much improved.

Buddy Barton of A&M, Mary Ann of Denton and Mr. and Mrs. Ora Jones of Abilene, were visitors in the Ted Barton home this week end.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Millwee of Goldsmith, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Livingston and sons of Fort Worth, Mr. and Mrs. White and Donna of Abilene, Mr. and Mrs. Forrest Boone and Clyde Morton of Rising Star were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Edd Millwee

will be the regular meeting day, Tuesday, May 7, with Mrs. Whaley Jackson hostess.

The club is appreciative of Mrs. Oscar White's efforts in arranging for the work shop and securing materials. Be sure and come with your work and food on May 7.

—By Mrs. Guy Taylor

Sunday.

Roy Merworth, after visiting his mother for 15 days, has returned to his Air Force Base in California.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Boswell and Travis visited with Mrs. Boswell's parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Auton in Whitney Saturday and Sunday.

The Hobby club met in the home of Mrs. Herman Anderson Thursday and quilted one quilt. A very enjoyable day was spent. Mrs. Perry Jeans is visiting her sister at Baird this week.

LOCAL ITEMS

Mr. and Mrs. Jay Howington and son, Jimmy, of Wichita Falls, were recent guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Horton Morrison.

Dr. Kenneth Morrison, a dentist of Fort Worth, visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Horton Morrison, Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Little have returned from Abilene where Mrs. Little has been under the care of a heart specialist, Dr. Adamson.

Pauline Roberds was at home here for the Easter holidays. She teaches in Brownwood.

Mr. and Mrs. Minter Ray Hardin and two children from Midland are here to spend the Easter holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Minter Hardin, and her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Willie Witt.

Mrs. Don Parish, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dixon Boggs, is visiting here. She will be joined by her husband, Don Parish, who teaches in the Corpus Christi school system.

Mr. and Mrs. Billy Phillips are here visiting her mother, Mrs. Olive Jones, and brothers, Monty and Mearlyn Jones. Mr. and Mrs. Phillips teach in the St. Jo public schools and have re-

cently built a new home there.

Mr. and Mrs. Lafayette Parker and children of Abilene are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Grover Groce, and his sister, Mrs. Horton Morrison, and other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Holamon of Jal, N. M., spent the Easter holidays here with relatives.

Visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wilburn Scott during the Easter holidays were their sons, with their wives and children, Mr. and Mrs. Winfield Scott and Mr. and Mrs. Pierce Scott, all of Fort Worth.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Jackson and daughter, Mary Ida, and son, Bill, spent the holidays here with the Martin Joyce's and joined in the family reunion.

Rev. and Mrs. Russell Dennis were here on Wednesday evening to lead the prayer service at the First Baptist Church. Rev. Dennis is now field man for Howard Payne College and met many friends of this section here.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. McCaskill and two children are here from Houston to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Gray.

Members of the family of Mr.

and Mrs. A. T. Shults, Sr., who were home for the Easter holidays were: Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Shults, Jr., and two children from Odessa, Texas, Dr. and Mrs. R. D. Brown and children from San Antonio and Mr. and Mrs. Phil McCannies from Breckenridge.

Mr. and Mrs. Allen S. Jones of Dallas spent the week-end on their farm two miles east of Rising Star.

Gene Pierson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Pierson of the Shrum community, is home for the Easter holidays from El Paso where he is serving in the U. S. Army.

Danny Hamer, a student in Tarleton College at Stephenville, is at home with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Hamer.

Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Jones and family and Miss Flara Jones, all of Arlington, were visitors in the homes of Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Cox and of Mearlyn and Monty Jones during the Easter holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. James New and friends of Odessa, visited his mother, Mrs. Ruby New over the week end.

Eddie Joe Henry, a student in McMurry College, spent the

holidays here with his parents and grandparents. While here he was visited by Gary Joiner of Texas Tech at Lubbock, and Brooks West of East Texas State College at Commerce.

Visitors in the home of Mrs. W. E. Murphy over the week end were her daughters and families: Mr. and Mrs. Audrey Majors of Houston, Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Graves of Graham, and Mr. and Mrs. Durwood Young of Irving.

Mrs. J. M. Jones and son, Don Goodman of Kingsville, Texas, visited her father, A. N. Searly

and sister, Mrs. Mark Clark.

Mr. and Mrs. George Lasswell of Brownwood were here with her brothers and sister, other relatives of the late Clark family.

Mrs. Billy Dale Dillard and three children of Cross Plains were here to visit her mother, Mrs. Roy Rutledge, and sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. B. Button.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Barnes and son and Miss Nell Barnes were here to visit their mother, Mrs. Ethel Barnes.



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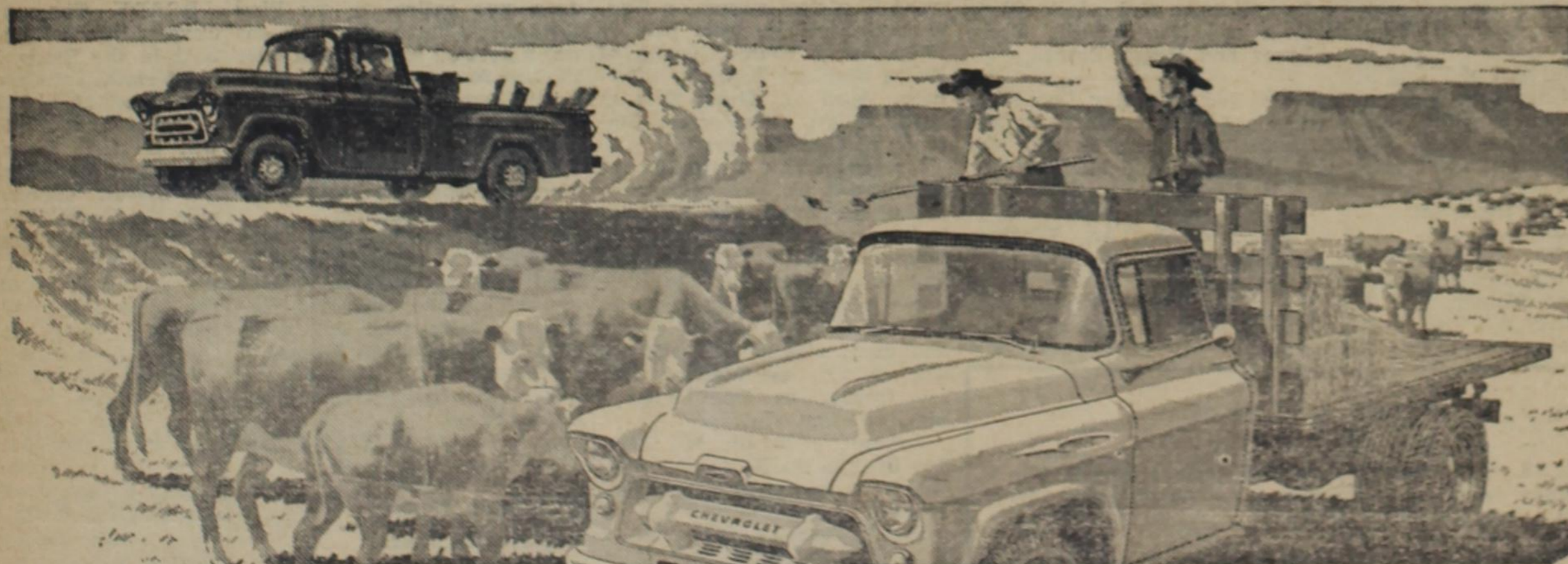
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WILDCAT TALES—
(Continued from page 2.)

Garbage is messy, so is Essie. A bit of news from the world. Be on the look-out for Bigfoot Bill. He offers for the winner of the Mr. Contest every week and then town. That's all for this week. I hope you had a pleasant Easter. Signed "Romeo" (Where is Juliet?)

H. A. NEWS

The F. H. A. Club had a meeting Thursday, April 11, 1957, with their sponsor, Mrs. Billie Nowlin.

The purpose of the meeting was to elect new officers, select delegates to go to F. H. A. State Meet at Dallas on April 26 and 27, and also to decide on a Mother and Daughter Banquet.

The meeting was opened with the opening ceremony, conducted by Mary Haynes, the president.

The officers that were elected for 1957-58 were as follows: President, Patsy Howard; Vice President, Martha Duggan; Treasurer, Carolyn Hunt; Reporter, Jettie Duggan; Game Leaders, Essie Hairren and Barbara Bishop; Song Leader, Virginia Townsend; Parliamentary, Danellia Darnell; Historian, Nelda Lee; Sergeant at Arms, Judy Alford and Sandra Erwin.

It was decided before the election of officers that the president would be one of the delegates to go to the State Meet and another was to be chosen by the members of the club. Nelda Lee was the lucky girl, so Patsy Howard and Nelda Lee are going to the F. H. A. meeting.

Later a discussion was opened for a banquet, picnic or tea. We are going to have a mother-daughter banquet if we can find a date open at the last of this month or the first of next.

The officers that were elected will be installed at the banquet.

BAND NEWS

Things are really in a stir around the band hall this week! If you can remember far enough back, I told you we were going to the Interscholastic League Contest in Abilene the last of this month and Saturday is the day. We have been slaving away this past week getting ready for it and Miss Tate is on the verge of a nervous breakdown but with a little luck we should do all right.

The biggest event coming up this week is our Band Banquet tomorrow night. It will be given by the ladies of the Methodist Church and entertainment afterwards will be provided by the Band Parents' Club. We can hardly wait as we know it will be a wonderful banquet and perfect in every detail.

These are about the only big happenings in the band this week but maybe things will pick up next week. It seems that everyone around RSHS has a spring fever nowadays—everyone but the Seniors that is. We are all doing our best to graduate and band is the only thing we're going to miss. Don't take that seriously, teachers, we'll miss you, too; but, not the books.

I guess that's about it for this week but maybe we'll have a robbery or something real exciting to tell you about next week! Who knows?
Reporter

JOKES ON THE CATS AND THEIR TEACHERS

Mr. Shults: Son, I'm worried at your being at the bottom of the class.
Jack: Don't worry, Pop. They

teach the same at both ends. Sandra Bradley: What's worse than a giraffe with a sore throat? Martha Haynes: A centipede with corns! Carl Weathers: I saw the doctor about my lapses of memory. Jaynel Edmiston: What did he do? Carl: Made me pay in advance. Martha Duggan: What's the definition of a petticoat? Ileta Maddux: I don't know. Martha: Something a girl spends a lot of money on and is horrified if it shows.

BONERS BY SOME OF OUR EXCEPTIONAL STUDENTS

Joe Frank: "Did you mark that place where the fishing was so good?" Billy Rucker: "Yes, I put an X on the side of the boat." Joe Frank: "That's silly, what if we should get another boat."

A BOO-BOO BY A PEDAGOG

"Is Rising Star a healthy place?" asked a stranger of Mr. White, a native of Rising Star. "It surely is," replied Mr. White. When I came here, I couldn't utter a word. I had scarcely a hair on my head. I hadn't strength enough to walk across the room, and I had to be lifted from my bed. "That is wonderful," exclaimed the stranger. How long have you lived here? "I was born here!"

Human Body Does Do Something About Weather

AUSTIN.—If you think you can't do anything about the weather you're dead wrong. Ask the State Health Department. They'll tell you all of us, assuming normalcy, are constantly doing something about it.

We are all equipped with our own private thermostat. When atmospheric temperatures rise or fall from the 98.6 degrees which is normal body temperature, the thermostat goes into action.

This built-in regulator is a tiny maze of nerve cells in the mid-brain. If the day is hot, it re-routes blood from internal organs to skin capillaries, dilating the flow with fluids drawn from skin and muscle tissue and from the liver. Sweat glands on skin surfaces dilate and exude perspiration. Body temperature is reduced by the dilution of blood and exudation of sweat. When the sweat evaporates your skin cools off.

If the day is cold the thermostat concentrates the blood and diminishes the flow through skin capillaries. Sweating is minimal and the blood coarses through internal organs deep within the body. Result: you feel cold and have to put on a coat or an extra blanket to stay comfortable.

As a fact of human physiology, body temperature of warm-blooded animals remains unchanged at 98.6 degrees, even though the air temperature might vary from zero to over 100 degrees.

Provided the air is perfectly dry, a man can maintain normal temperature in an atmosphere that will actually grill a beefsteak. There are experimental cases on record where human subjects, by drinking great quantities of water to sustain perspiration and stripping to the waist to facilitate evaporation, have withstood temperatures up to 260 degrees for extended periods without ill effects. But the subjects would be in



ALL-WOMEN RESCUE group, known as the "Calamity Janes," from El Reno, Okla., have lived up to their name by doing civil defense rescue work during two Oklahoma tornadoes and four major fires in El Reno. Shown "splitting" the arm of a mock victim at a civil defense rescue institute in Denton, Texas are seven of the group's 22 members, and Don Eagle (right), who with his wife founded the "Janes" two years ago. (Dallas Times-Herald Photo)

serious trouble if they tried to endure 120-degrees in a damp, humid atmosphere. Sweat evaporation is influenced by the extent to which the atmosphere is already saturated with moisture. In high humidity sweat merely drips from the skin and in no way increases heat loss.

As a Texan, accustomed to hot weather, you are probably most comfortable when the humidity is about 65 per cent—that is, when the air is 65 per cent saturated.

The fatter a person is the better he can withstand cold. Fat acts as a blanket. Conversely, fat people suffer more in hot weather.

And if you're a man you're more susceptible to cold than your wife. You both have insulating layers of fat but hers is naturally thicker. Therefore, while it may be socially gallant it is physiologically foolish to relinquish your coat to your wrapless lady when you are both caught out in the cold. You need it worse than she does.

Has Good Stand of Blackwell Switchgrass

Guyle Greynolds has a good stand of Blackwell switchgrass on his farm south of Rising Star. He produced over 300 pounds of high quality seed from a ten-acre field last fall. The grass was planted in April, 1956, and came on through to produce an unexpected harvestable seed crop last fall. This and other switchgrass plantings on his farm has survived the drought better than other kinds of grasses planted. He has planted lovegrass, blue panic, coastal bermuda and KR-bluestem.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Mayfield of Lafayette, La., and Miss Willie Shults, are here for several days while Mr. Mayfield convalesces from surgery which he underwent in a Temple hospital.

SOIL CONSERVATION DISTRICT NEWS



Organic matter (humus) and fertilizer increase dryland production of oats. Despite drought and shortage of moisture Joe Atkinson, in the Mount View Community has found that the addition of organic matter and fertilizer dryland makes for more efficient use of the meager rainfall we have been getting the last few years.

Joe like many others is in the chicken business. When he cleans out his chicken houses he uses a manure spreader to scatter it on the field. He puts it on thick and has seen some almost amazing results. Last year oats, in the same field, when the chicken house litter had been scattered, made twice as much as the areas where there had been none.

This year the effect of the litter on the growth of the oats is very pronounced. The spreader Joe used didn't spread too well and it left gaps between each trough where there was little or no litter. Where the litter was heavy the oats are about twelve inches high. Where there was little or no litter the oats are about four inches high.

This is another example of the need for the application of sound soil, water and plant conservation principals if we are going to make effective use of the rainfall we get.

Reports are coming in from farmers who have been digging post holes. Where the ground is bare, even with the rain we have had the ground is dry. Where there is some grass or cover the ground is moist.

Cover on the ground to hold

Planting Time for Oil Bank Grass Near

Farmers who are planning to plant grass this year under the Conservation Reserve feature of the Soil Bank Program are reminded that planting time is here. A recommended alternative under this program is to plant sudan or maize this year for dead cover next year. This alternative is approved by the county committee with cost-share provided. Farmers who already have their grass seed and are ready to plant can use the grass seed drills or planters owned by their Soil Conservation Districts. At Rising Star, this equipment is managed by the local FFA Chapter and can be used for a small "per acre" rental fee. Assistance is offered in selecting adapted grasses by the Upper Leon and Brown-Mills Soil Conservation Districts through the local Soil Conservation Service office. Local Soil Conservation Service will also help in planting the grass.

Mrs. Alyne Siekman, and son, Bob, are here from Pyote, Texas, where Mrs. Siekman teaches in the public school. Bob is a student in Sul Ross College at Alpine. They visited "Bud" Siekman in Abilene on their way here. They are visiting her parents where a family reunion was held at Easter.

NEW SCOUT TROOP IN GUSTINE

The organization of a new Scout Troop in Gustine brings the total to one hundred Scouting Units in Comanche Trail Council, according to W. Doyle Graves, Stephenville, chairman of Organization and Extension. There are 2044 boys in the one hundred units sponsored by 73 organizations and churches and led by 865 adult leaders. Although this is a nice increase—the objective is to complete this year with 110 units and 2400 boys.

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Last year substantial increases in this nation's proved oil and gas supplies were chalked up once again—despite production and consumption levels that surpassed all previous highs. This simply means that even though we took an enormous amount of oil out of the ground the explorers found even larger new supplies that can be turned to in the future.

The importance of this to the security, welfare and growth of the nation needs little argument. In this modern world, oil is a nation's lifeblood. We could no more do without it and survive as a free people than we could do without air and water.

Finding oil is a highly risky undertaking. Tens of thousands of wells must be drilled each year—the total was 58,000 in 1956. The great majority of wildcat wells turn out dry and worthless. The wells must also be sunk deeper and deeper, at spiraling cost. And of that minority of wells which do become commercially successful producers, only a few are of major size.

Yet men do accept the long odds. And they do that because of a system which offers them a chance to earn good profits if they succeed. As an example, the depletion allowance given oil producers is often criticized. Yet that allowance, which is a credit against income taxes, simply recognizes a fact—the fact that oil wells wear out and must be replaced, and that a reasonable financial inducement is necessary to get men to risk their money.

The proof of the soundness of our system is found in the oil industry's record of achievement—and in its tremendous contributions to the whole free world.

about \$450.00 each. Can't pay it, you say. Under our present tax schemes you can hardly escape it. If you are one of those who, on account of conditions beyond your control, do not then your neighbor or the family down the street, will have to pick up the tab and make it up.

Any reasonable budget set up for the normal, thrifty operation of our government is necessary. But what is alarming about the present situation is this: At the close of Roosevelt's first administration in 1936 the budget stood at 8 billion. When Truman went out of office in 1953 his budget was 53 billion. In fiscal 1957, we have what you see. This is not a partisan, political issue as both Republicans and Democrats are for reducing it. Even Eisenhower himself says it's too high and dares Congress to reduce it. It is.

Aside from the cost, we must look at another aspect of this monstrosity—what it is doing to our country and our economy. You can't have big spending without big inflation. You can't have big inflation without high prices. The two go hand in hand. High prices bring on higher operating costs and business has to charge these extra costs for the past five or six years. Likely you will find, as I have, that they have increased more than 200%.

How does inflation operate? If you bought a government bond back in 1946 for \$75.00 it matured in 1956 at \$100.00. But the \$100.00 you received won't buy now what the \$75.00 bought in 1946. The United States Government didn't really pay the \$100.00. It merely borrowed it from somebody else with the promise to pay the new customer \$133.33 10 years hence. The philosophy of inflation finance of managed debt is to pay less and less for more and more until finally nothing is paid at all.

What to do about it? There are some who say we are stuck and can do nothing. They are the defeatist type. Good people, too. But I think we can. In the proper spirit and with a just cause, the American people can do anything they want to do if enough of them will arouse themselves and go to hollering. As an evidence of this fact Congress is now in the process of slashing millions from the budget every day. The House itself has already knocked off more than a billion dollars and the job has just begun. They are hearing from the people back

home by the thousands.

If you want your taxes reduced, the budget must be reduced accordingly. If you are interested in this program start writing your Congressmen today. Some of those who are working hard on this task are Sam Rayburn, Speaker of the House; Congressman Omar Burleson and Martin Dies and Senator Lyndon Johnson. Others who are very much on the job are Senator Harry F. Byrd, Chairman of Senate Finance Committee; Senator William F. Knowland, Republican Senate Leader and John W. McCormack, Democratic House Leader. All the other 20 Texas Congressmen are in the fight for reduced taxes according to letters received from the most of them. Write them all and if you need more names I have them. Just a postal card will do but a letter is better. Where you have others working for you suggest to them that they all write a card. They will, for they need a tax cut probably more than you do. I suggest that interested groups and organizations adopt a brief resolution or statement and let those sign it who will. Any method used to let your Congressmen know how you feel will be effective. All of them will be pleased to know that you are interested and the more letters and cards that go in the better chance you will have of getting some relief.

Let's keep fighting. If we go down like Socialistic France or Mighty England, let's go down fighting, with our boots on and our chins up.

Sincerely yours,
Earl Bender

Hershel Zellars and family from Frisco, Texas, visited his mother, Mrs. Linnie Zellars, his grandmother, Mrs. Ed Lane, his aunt, Mrs. Ella Wells, and Mrs. Zellars' mother, Mrs. Roy Rutledge and other relatives here during the Easter holidays.

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but feel that something should be done.

The present fiscal budget of 72 billion, 800 million dollars recently submitted to the Congress by the President is one of the hottest potatoes of its kind ever to come before that body for consideration. On account of its huge size and its potential effects upon the lives of every American now and in the future, if passed as is, is not only alarming our Congressmen, editors, economists and statesmen, but the plain rank and file of millions of others. So high is it that it is estimated to cost every man, woman and child

Visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Lyon and Jerry and two daughters and a son, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Harvey and daughters of Abilene, Mr. and Mrs. Joel Woods and son of San Antonio, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Kermit and two daughters of Kermit and Herman Lyon of Dallas.

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Robert Gray, son of Dr. Hob Gray of Austin, visited his uncle, M. D. Gibson, and other relatives in Rising Star last week.

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Mr. and Mrs. Philip Vogel, who were workers here in the First Baptist Church, are the proud parents of a baby boy born April 19 in Memorial Hospital, Brownwood. Phillip is now choir director at Goldthwaite and is a student in Howard Payne College.

Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Maynard attended the funeral of "Ab" Simpson at Nimrod, where Mr. Maynard served as a pallbearer.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Lucas and daughter, Becky, of Goldsmith visited Mrs. Lucas' parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Burns, over the week end.

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Miss Drucilla Eberhart, who teaches in Coleman High School, visited her mother, Mrs. J. B. Eberhart and brother, York, and family during the Easter holiday. Mrs. Roberta Conlee and husband of Abilene, Mr. and Mrs. Delwin Chambers, of Jal, N. M., and Miss Dorothy Chambers of Fort Worth were visitors in the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. D. Chambers during the Easter holidays.

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Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Smith and daughter, Wanda, spent Easter at Midland.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Dill have moved into the Dr. J. R. Dill home on South Anderson Street.

Mrs. Noble Gray and Mrs. Olive Daniels of Wichita Falls, sisters of Mrs. T. B. Busbee were here during the week-end April 11 to 14 to visit their sister and also to attend funeral services for T. H. Charters at Brownwood Thursday, April 11, and Burette Gray here Saturday, April 13.

Among out-of-town guests here for the funeral of Mrs. H. S. Childress Friday of last week were Miss Eva Venable and Otho Venable of Dallas, sister and brother of Mrs. Childress, and the following relatives of Mr. Childress: Mrs. Irene Robertson, a sister, and Mrs. Huline Wilson, a niece, both of Gilmer; Mrs. Mollie Shrum, a niece, of Fort Worth, and Mrs. J. E. Moughon, a niece of Sherman. Mrs. F. C. Payne and Ray Light of Breckenridge, friends of the family were also here.

Robert Gray, son of Dr. Hob Gray, Austin, visited relatives in Rising Star and Eastland Friday and Saturday.

Visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Dan Doyle were Mrs. Doyle's niece, Ada May Alexander and her friend, D. P. Jones who is stationed at Corpus Chris-

ti with ground crew of the Navy, at the Air Base.

Guests of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Roberts and Pauline were Rev. and Mrs. Ed M. Jackson and son Dick. They will move to Rising Star in the near future and occupy the Baptist pastor's home.

Rev. David Switzer, chaplain and counselor at Southwestern University at Georgetown, conducted the Easter revival at Goldthwaite recently, where he was richly rewarded for his services. He visited his parents here, Mr. and Mrs. Horace Switzer.

Travis Foster, who is with the Star-Telegram in Fort Worth, visited his mother, Mrs. J. L. Foster, and sister, Margie Rixford. He was accompanied by his family.

Mr. and Mrs. M. D. (Red) Conger, who are teachers in Vanderbilt schools, near Houston, spent Easter holidays in the home of Mrs. J. I. Foster, and her daughters.

Mr. and Mrs. O. R. Darland and Larry, Mr. and Mrs. Benny Hall and Rhonda, of Morton, visited in the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Doc Hammonds and sisters, Mrs. Bill Crawford and Mrs. Lee Roy Lyon. All had Easter dinner at Mrs. Crawford's and returned home.

Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Crisp and grandson, Donald Ray, of Rising Star and their daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Young and son of Stephenville, spent the Easter holidays visiting the families of their daughters, Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Darnell and children of Borger and Mr. and Mrs. Noble A. Hall and children of Sunray, Texas.

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Saturday Club Studies Australia At April 17 Meet

On April 17 the Saturday Club met to study about Australia. Thirteen members answered roll call with information about the continent of Australia.

Mrs. A. Louise Weber gave an interesting American Travel Adventure, which will be published in the Record later.

Mrs. Floyd Joyce served delicious pie and coffee from a lace covered table. She used blue-bonnet flowers as decorations and favors.

The next club meeting will be on May 1 with Mrs. Horace Switzer giving a talk on the American Home. Mesdames Barney Cargile and Olice Jones will serve as hostesses. Members of the Saturday club are soliciting funds for cancer drive. They are also making garments for the Red Cross.

No Regular WSCS Luncheon Monday

The WSCS of the First Methodist Church will not serve its regular fourth Monday luncheon because of the dinner which will be served at the church Sunday noon for Rev. Jalmor Bowden and members and friends, it was announced this week.

Miss Helen Brawner Marries Cisco Man

Miss Helen Marie Brawner, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Brawner, was married to Buddy Seaburn, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Seaburn of Cisco, Texas, on April 20, at 5:30 p.m. at Cisco, Texas.

Guests in the A. W. Armstrong home during the Easter holidays were Mr. and Mrs. P. D. Holman and Kelly of Winters, Mrs. W. T. Siekman and Karen of Abilene, Mr. and Mrs. Alva Allen of Weatherford, Mrs. John Armstrong of Eastland, Mrs. Allen of Weatherford, Mr. and Mrs. V. O. Dunn of Abilene, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Armstrong and sons of May, and Mr. and Mrs. James Armstrong and Eddie of Sipe Springs.

Mr. and Mrs. Lonnie Gray and granddaughter, Merilyn Whiteley, of Pioneer, visited friends and relatives in Newcastle and Olney during the Easter holidays.

Among out-of-town friends who came to Rising Star for the funeral of Mrs. H. S. Childress Friday of last week were Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Nance of Cisco; Fred Tunnell and Mr. and Mrs. Jack McCarty of Cross Plains; Mrs. Frank Payne and Mrs. John Culwell of Breckenridge.

Mrs. Wm. E. Tyler left Tuesday afternoon for Sweetwater and Midland, spending Tuesday evening with Mrs. Will Allen at Sweetwater and going to Midland Wednesday to visit with her daughter and family until Saturday.

Club Makes 25 Cancer Pads at Special Meeting

By Mrs. J. C. Hudson, Reporter

The North Star Home Demonstration Club met in the clubhouse on the afternoon of April 16, with 15 members, and nine visitors in attendance. The meeting opened with the song, "Near the Cross." Mrs. Henry Gregg led the devotional, reading Matthew 5:44-48.

Mrs. Will Ware reported that 25 cancer pads were made at the called meeting, which was held in the clubhouse, on the afternoon of April 9. Club members who worked on this project including Mrs. Ware, were Mrs. York Eberhart, J. B. Eberhart, Lee Burkhead, J. T. Coursey, C. F. Carroll, Henry Gregg, Carl Irby. Guests present were Mrs. A. Louise Weber and S. L. Swindell. Mrs. Weber served as supervisor of the work.

Mrs. Edgar McCollum reported on her attendance at Council, which was held in Eastland April 10.

Mrs. J. S. Anderson gave an interesting detailed report on her attendance, as delegate, at the District Texas Home Demonstration Association, which took place March 26 and 27 in Lampasas.

After her talk Mrs. Anderson demonstrated an amusing skill, entitled "Telephone Repairs," as a sample of the type of recreation enjoyed at this affair.

"Credit" was the title of the informative and helpful demonstration put on by Mrs. Mimi Hart, County H. D. agent. Good advice for borrowers, taken from Mrs. Hart's lecture: "Borrow far as short a time as possible, to keep interest charges at a minimum."

Mrs. Henry Gregg and Edger McCollum served delicious refreshments to club members: Mrs. Will Ware, J. B. Eberhart, J. T. Alford, Lee Burkhead, J. T. Coursey, Beyrl Heath, J. C. Hudson, Carl Irby, York Eberhart, A. J. Hardin, Claud Harris, and Ada Williams, Ethel Clark, to visitors Mrs. Floy Appleby, of DeLeon, J. S. Anderson and Cecil Bostick, of Nimrod, Sam Henderson, Mitzi Hart, of Eastland. Children present were Beverly and Bill Fischer, Larry Alford and Danne Clark.

WMU Studies Carver School of Missions

The W. M. U. of First Baptist Church met Monday, April 22, to study the Carver School of Missions and Social Work, which is located at Louisville, Kentucky.

The program was planned and directed by Mrs. Lee Clark. Other members who took part in the program were: Mesdames Roberts, Geye, Morris, Adams, White, and Turner.

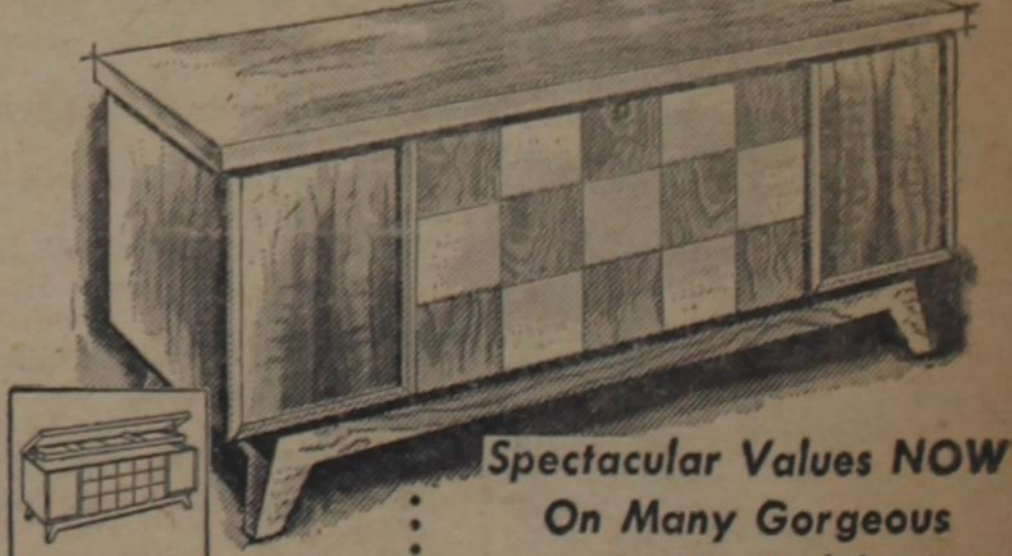
A financial report was given by Mrs. Fridge. Mrs. Clark Crownover volunteered to entertain new pastor, wife and son. —Reporter

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THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK:
 "To talk health, happiness, and prosperity to every person you meet." Christian D. Larson

FOR WHOM THE BELL TOLLS?

"No man is an island," said John Donne, "entire to itself; every man is a piece of the continent, a part of the main; if a clod be washed away by the sea, Europe is the less, as if a promontory were, as if a manor of the friends or of thine own were; any man's death diminishes me because I am involved in mankind; and therefore never send to know for whom the bell tolls; it tolls for thee."

... Military casualties are not the only price which war has exacted. Today we mourn our lost soldiers, and sailors, and marines; we also honor as casualties of war, the countless men and women who gave such burning devotion to their wartime duties as citizens, that their lives were consumed.

You whose fathers or sons or brothers or husbands have been killed are greatly tested today and are charged with a high responsibility. The lives which they laid down were bright with promise, filled with hope, freighted with plans and ambitions. And now it rests with you to make your lives so significant that you may advance and perhaps even achieve those hopes and ambitions.

It rests with—yes, but it rests with all of us. Is it hard now to understand those words of John Donne which I quoted a moment ago? "Any man's death diminishes me because I am involved in mankind." Do you see that there is more work than ever to be done now and that there are fewer of us left to do it? "Never send to know for whom the bell tolls; it tolls for thee."

... There is a myth which has been so constantly reiterated that even some perfectly sensible people have believed it. That myth accuses the folk of this land of being gullible. It declares that in World War I we foolishly flung ourselves into a fight with which we had no concern. We were amiable but ruddle-headed altruists—and the way purveyors of the myth say the word "altruists" makes it sound like the deadliest of epithets. We stuck our noses into other people's affairs, and all we got for our good intentions were war casualties, bad debts, and harsh words.

Yes, we got the casualties, the bad debts, and the harsh words all right, but the rest of the story is not only a myth—it is a vicious lie. The truth is that this country entered World War I because it had to, and any other assumption is false. We fought because our deepest interests—our freedom, our democracy, our very life as a great nation—were gravely threatened. That we had allies whose interests were similarly threatened was great good fortune; that we elected to make common cause with them was plain good sense.

Ask yourself today, for whom the bell tolled when Japan overran Manchuria in 1931. Was it simply for the frightened and helpless people of Manchuria? No, our men who died in the Pacific area during World War II were only children in 1931, but their death was made certain in that now distant day. Even then the bell tolled for you and me and for all the dead and dying of that war. And it will continue to toll until we finish the gigantic task that could have been a very slight task—in 1931. Again and again we had our chance; Ethiopia—but no, how did those pitiful and half-civilized people affect us? Spain, China, Austria, Czechoslovakia, Poland, Norway, Denmark, Belgium, Holland, France, the world. And still we say "No man's life or affects us. We shall not be involved in mankind."

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us a recognition of the truth with a clarity and force that forbade understanding. And that truth is that we are not an island; we are involved in mankind. We are affected by injustice anywhere on earth; by brutality, anywhere on earth; and by wrong, anywhere on earth. And looking backward, we hear the tolling of the bell for the death of Manchuria, for the death of Spain, for the death of millions of men in every quarter of the globe, and we know now what Donne meant: "Never send to know for whom the bell tolls; it tolls for thee."

We have not faltered in attending to our long-deferred business. Let us not hand over our own business to our enemies to attend to, as we had been led by the myth-makers to do. Let us mind our own business, but in God's name and the name of the dead we honor today, let us know what our own business is.

... Our business as Americans, as human beings, as sons of the God of all men everywhere, is to do His work wherever we encounter it. Do not be misled by the false and crooked question: "Am I my brother's keeper?" For the answer is perfectly simple: "I am my brother's brother. As his brother, I am hurt by his hurts; made whole by his health. And as his brother, I shall, because I must, make common cause with him against evil, wrong and injustice wherever it appears."

"No man is an island. Every man ... is a part of the main ... Any man's death diminishes me because I am involved in mankind; therefore, never send to know for whom the bell tolls; it tolls for thee."

The preceding was the declamation written by Lt. James H. Case, Jr., given by Charles Steel at the District and Regional Interscholastic League Meet. Next week, "The Explorer", as given by Bill Rutherford in Poetry Reading, will be published; Bill won first at district and third at Regional. Congratulations, boys!

ROCK AND ROLL WITHIN THE SENIORS

The Seniors are really beginning to rock and roll these last few weeks of school. We have to catch up on all our work, and we also can't really believe that we have now gone to school 12 years; it is also a little sad.

We have decided to go on our senior trip the second week end in May. We are going to the V-H ranch near Junction. We hope to have a wonderful time and I know we will.

Everyone chose a "Mr. Wildcat" to be crowned Thursday, April 18, at the Coronation. He is Howard Walker, a real Wildcat in every way. The classes also chose a duchess and duke to be represented in the coronation. Mary Haynes and Bobby Hubbard were chosen to represent the Senior class.

Wanda Smith won the first state degree in Homemaking, ever to be won by anyone from Rising Star High School. We are all very proud of her. But it all goes to say the Seniors of '57" are good leaders.

We got our invitations in and everyone is busy addressing invitations. If anyone gets one with the ink a little smeared, you will know we got a little sentimental while addressing them.

We want to dedicate a few songs to the senior girls.

- "Gonna Get Along Without You Now" Mary H. and Bobbie E.
- "Someday" Glenda Gibbard
- "Brown Eyed Handsome Man" Glenda Witt
- "Butterfly" Martha Haynes
- "Teen Age Crush" Wanda Smith
- "Why Baby Why" Verita Butler
- "Stardust" Sandra Bradley
- "Party Doll" Mary Perkins

FRESHMEN IN THE NEWS

Just because school is nearly out is not sufficient reason for the Fish to start slowing down. We are now selling personalized stationary and napkins. We have

had several orders already from fellow students and are hoping for several more from the townspeople. Remember, everyone, graduation is just around the well-known corner, and don't you think any Senior would appreciate our nice stationary; we do.

Changing wares, but still selling, we have ordered everyday greeting cards for the people who have inquired about them and will be selling them as soon as they arrive. Several people asked Mrs. Claborn, our sponsor, if we were going to get any to sell, and who are we to dispute public demands? We'll let you know as soon as they come in.

I just wonder what Bill is offering the Sophs for guessing the "Miss" or "Mr." X. Don't worry, Bill, I'm not going to move in on your little "play-party"; besides none of the Freshmen are secret anyway, and nobody would have any trouble guessing.

Quoted from an old Arabian adage: He who knows not and knows not; he is a fool, shun him.

Tune in next week for another line of that proverb. Reporter—Jan

THAT AWAY, JUNIORS!

The Regional Track Meet is over and here we go all the way to State. The only junior

boy that will be going is Robert Morrow—oh, excuse me — it's Robert Needham. He is so much like Bobby Morrow—maybe he won't mind! The boys will go to state in the 440 relay in about two weeks.

The coronation was a beautiful occasion. The first event was the procession of the King Wildcat, Howard Walker, and his court. After that, we had talented singers. The one act play was given as the second event, then the third event was a pantomime — given by the annual staff. The scene of the kings' throne was an Easter scene.

The Junior class is still patiently counting the days until our class rings arrive and until the Junior and Senior Banquet. Planning for the banquet is hard work, but it will be worth it—huh, Seniors?

Would you like to know about some of the juniors? Well, we would too ... if anyone can answer these questions—please tell us.

Jodie—Why have you started wearing that red baseball cap and carrying that whistle around?

Mary R.—Why do you come to school so dressed up everyday?

Oleta—Who is that so-and-so from Early? Man, love those pipes!

Donald C.—What happened to you and the low hurdles?

Barbara—Has Ray ever become so tired of your cooking

that he takes you out for a meal. Jack—What is the purpose of those white suede shoes—wow! They're pretty!

Robert—Where do you get all the zip and vitality? It needs to rub on some of these other kids.

Jimmy R.—How can you make such good grades in A. H.? Do you ever study?

This is all for this week, but we'll be redy to send our boys to State next week.

The thought for this week: "Make your goodness attractive." A.P.J.E.T.B.A.S.

P. S. It seems as if some of that red hair in the junior class is rubbing off on some of the girls here in R. S. H. S. Reporter

THE LIFE OF A SENIOR

Binnie Verita Butler was born on October 29, 1948, in Fort Worth, Texas. She is the only child of Mr. and Mrs. Bennie A. Butler. Verita has an olive complexion, hazel eyes, and dark brown hair. Before she entered school, the family moved from Cisco to Eastland, Taylor, then back to Cisco where she entered the first grade. Verita attended the Cisco Schools until her sophomore year when she came to Rising Star. Her father being a newspaper man, give Verita a natural knack for writing—certainly comes in handy for those English themes! Her fa-

vorite movie stars are Audie Murphy and Doris Day—television, Tennessee Ernie Ford and Loretta Young. She likes sport clothes and her colors are pink and black. The sport she really enjoys is swimming; while her hobbies are reading and playing the piano. Her favorite subjects are English and typing. She likes "rock and roll" music and her special singers are Little Richard and Teresa Brewer. Her plans for the future include Cisco Junior College for two years, then Tarleton State or Howard Payne College. She plans to major in business so she may teach or make a career of it. We all wish you the very best of luck, Verita!

Wanda Loyce Smith

SOPH SAYINGS

Spring is upon us (so are the teachers) and we are anxious for school to dismiss for the summer. Have you been reading that silly "stuff" about having school the year around? What people won't do to torment the poor, slaving school children!

Here are a few interesting questions to ask our sophomore gang.

Rita, have you had the mumps? Kenneth, how did you do in the mile run Wednesday?

Hazel, who rode home in the backseat with you?

Alice, how are your algebra grades holding up? (Was it

really a romance in the bank hall?)

Cracker, was your English grade up or down this six weeks? Don, was that a long walk home?

Judy, concerning your average, who is right, Mr. White?

Carolyn, was the ice cream Freida, how many people did you shoun your bright coloring homemaking project to?

Jerrell, the roads were slick weren't they?

If you don't understand the questions, I am certain those concerned would be happy to tell you.

Our sophomore girls have been elected to serve in several offices in the F. H. A. for the coming year. Here is a list of new officers from the sophomore class:

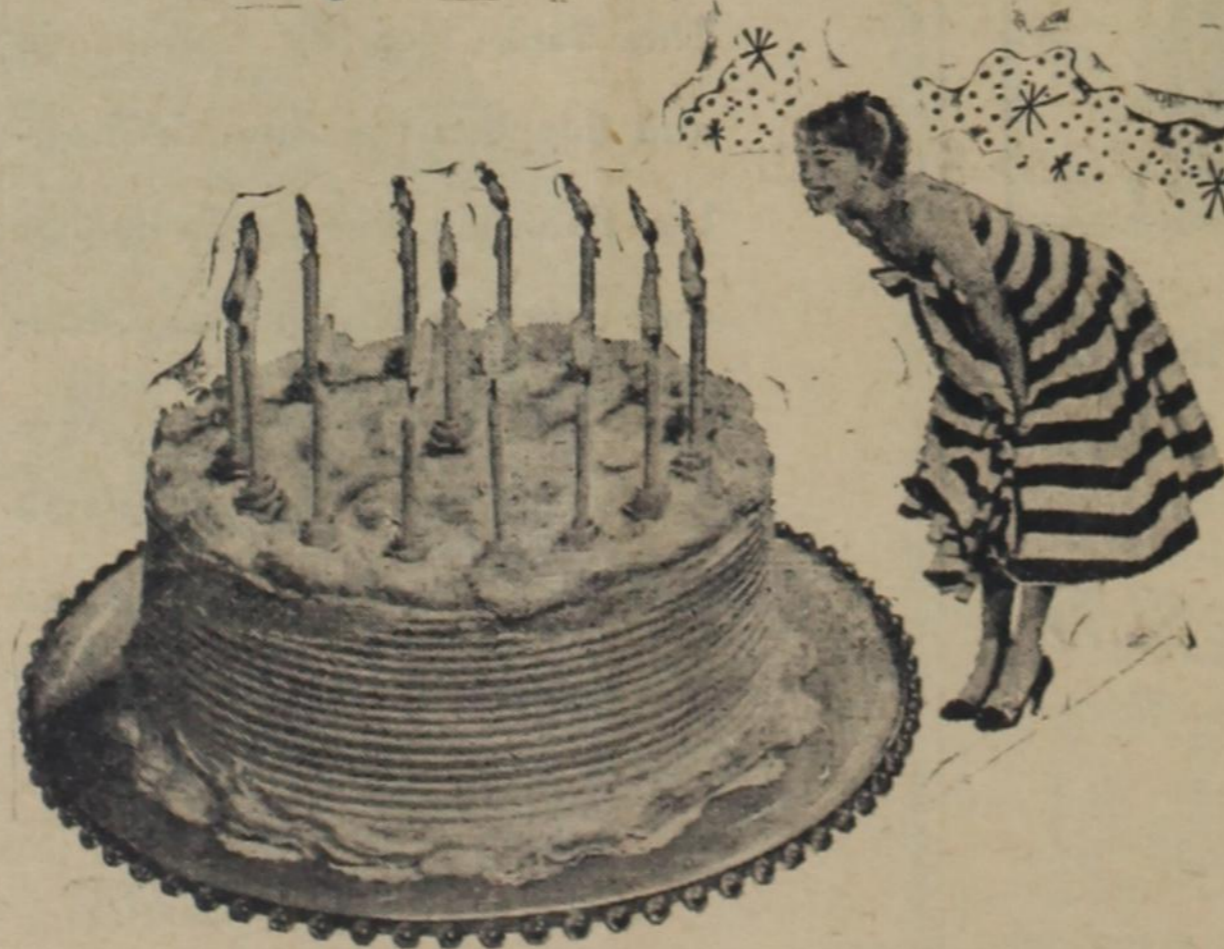
Carolyn Hunt Treasurer; Nelda Lee, historian and also a delegate to the F. H. A. convention; Essie Hairten and Barbara Bishop, game leaders; Judy Alford, sergeant at arms.

This is a little news from our soph spy. Good evening Mr. and Mrs. Rising Star; this is Walter Windmill. Rumor is Essie and Nelda are so fond of each other they are dedicating poems to each other. Here is one of Nelda's masterpieces (not necessarily true):

Sugar is sweet, Peaches are good to eat. (Continued on page 7.)



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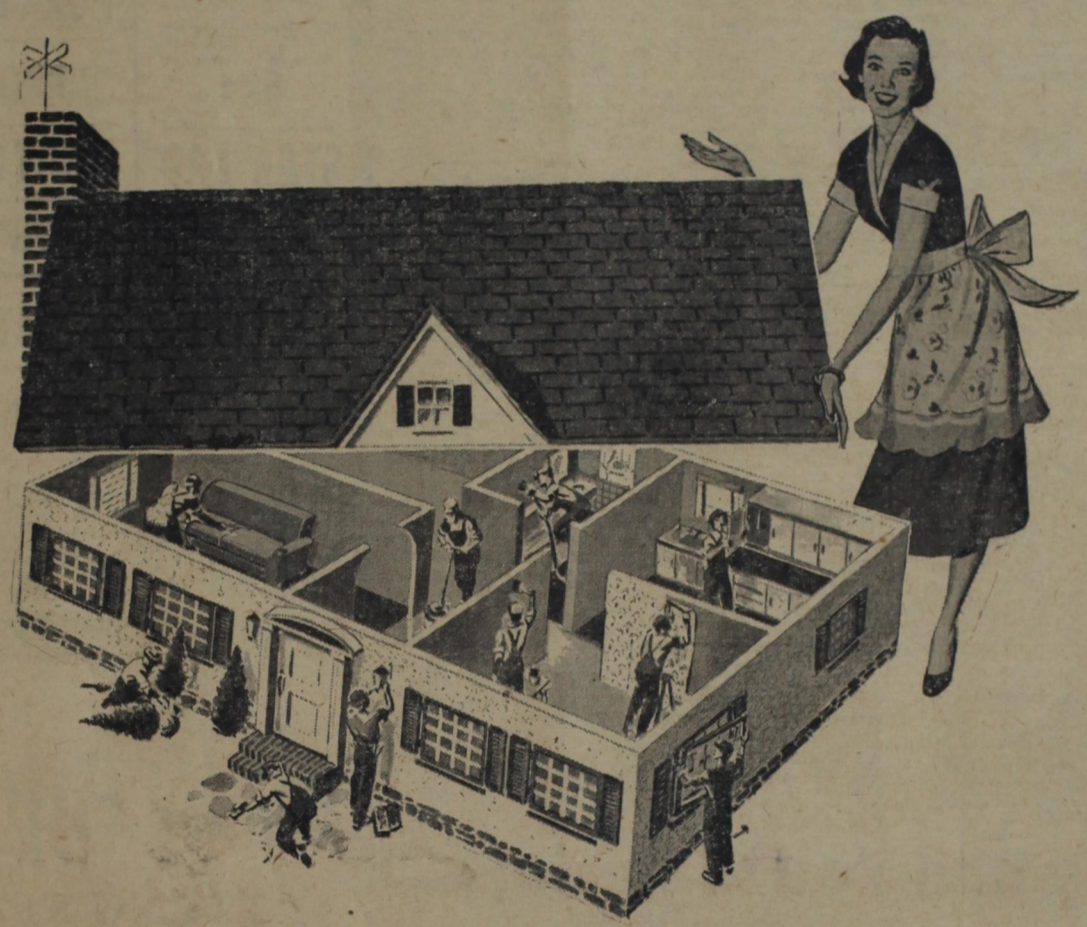
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Mrs. C. B. Nichols wishes to express her appreciation to the hospital staff, and Dr. Bradley, also to the blood donor, to visitors, to friends and her mother for prayers, and the sincere interest shown during her eye infection and illness. She is much improved at present but still goes back to the specialist at Fort Worth, for treatments. Mrs. C. B. Nichols

CARD OF THANKS

I wish to express my appreciation for the kindnesses of my neighbors and friends during my illness. I am grateful for the kind words, the cards and letters and for every thoughtful and helpful act. I appreciate especially the love offerings of my friends and I am grateful to the members of my Sunday School class who remembered me in such a kind way. May God bless all of you. Mrs. J. W. Little

CARD OF THANKS

We are deeply grateful for the many kindnesses of our neighbors and friends which comforted us in the loss of our wife and mother. We are especially grateful for the flowers, the food, the words and other expressions of sympathy, and to Dr. Ben Bradley, the nurses at Rising Star Hospital, the women of the First Methodist Church and to all those who helped in any way to comfort us. May God bless each of you as you have blessed us. H. S. Childress and Martha Jay.

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Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Ray Bucy of Cleburne and Major and Mrs. Charles W. Bucy and children of Denver, Colo., spent last week end with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Bucy. They all left Monday morning for Corpus Christi for a family reunion in the home of a daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Jeffers. This was the first time the family had been together since 1944. Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Bucy returned home Thursday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Sowell of Brownwood were visitors in Rising Star Sunday evening.

Lowrey Horton was here to visit with his mother and son, Phil.

Mr. and Mrs. John H. Perry left this week for Matador, Texas, where Mrs. Perry's sister, Mrs. Henry Harris, will help care for her during her illness.

D. N. Markham of Brownwood and Mrs. Emma McKenzie were transacting business in Rising Star Monday.

Show card colors in all shades. The Record.

Mrs. Mamie Wood and daughter, Mary Sue, from Howard Payne College, visited Mr. and Mrs. Charles Grimland Sunday.

Joe and Kenneth Gray were recent visitors of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Gray. Ellen and Anne Walston, of Menard, granddaughters of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Gray, were here Sunday.

Alton Claborn of Midland was honored recently with a birthday dinner at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Otho Claborn of Okra. Present were Mrs. A. W. Claborn, Mr. and Mrs. Lindon Click and sons of Sundown, Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Clark of Rising Star, Mr. and Mrs. Delwin Chambers and daughter, De Lynn, of Jal, N. M., and Mrs. H. R. House.

Mr. and Mrs. I. W. Gage and three girls of Cisco, and Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Ware of Arlington and Mr. and Mrs. B. C. Porter and children of Fort Worth were here to spend the holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Will Ware.

Mrs. Charlotte Gibson of Corpus Christi visited her father, M. D. Gibson, and other relatives here during the Easter holidays. Jack Gibson and family were here from Fort Worth to be with his father and Charlotte.

Mrs. Jeanie Love and husband and two boys of Haskell were here Sunday to be with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Richburg.

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Pork Chops LEAN END CUTS Per Pound **45c**

Chicken Salad FRESH MADE Per Pound **65c**

WIENERS FANCY BULK Per Pound **29c**

Pork Sausage FRESH MADE Per Pound **45c**