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## Through the Editor's Specs

BY BAB

Rising Star is indebted to the City of Abilene for a generous and timely act of real West Texas neighborliness, a debt that Mayor Walter Smith and the members of the Rising Star City Council acknowledge gladly. But for the assistance which City Manager Henry Nabers and the Water and Sewer department of the Key City gave this community Monday and Tuesday, Rising Star would have been out a great deal of money and three-fourths of the city without sewer service for a considerable length of time. Sand which packed a 35-year-old 12-inch sewer main under Highway 36 was the trouble. It resisted every effort of local workmen to clear the line. An Abilene crew with special equipment had the line open by mid-afternoon Monday.

Thanks, Big Neighbor!

A copy of the printed program of the closing exercises of Rising Star High School on April 22-25, 1954, has come to hand through the thoughtfulness of Paul Brashear, State Representative.

The graduation ceremonies, under the direction of Prof. J. E. Wells, included a "Boys Literary Society" program, a program by the Music and Elocution Departments, a sermon to the school by Rev. W. H. Mathews at the Methodist Church, and a program by the "Girls Literary Society" as the concluding feature.

The Boys Literary Society program included a debate on the relative merits of Napoleon Bonaparte and Julius Caesar as military leaders, while a flag drill by 40 girls seems to have been a Girls Literary Society highlight.

The concert of the music and elocution departments had plenty of variety, including a "piano solo" by Bulah and Ada Rhone. Among the names appearing are those of Burette Gray, Richard Gray, Melvin Prentice, Onous White, Fred Anderson, Ross Barnes, John Horton, Nellie Smith, Hester Boase, Eula Lyon, Osie K. Hickman, Ethel Irby, Mable Foster, Addie Terry and Vida Leveridge. There are others.

If you'd like to see the program I'm turning it over to Sam Jones, superintendent of schools, at Mr. Brashear's direction.

**Jimmy Turner Will Preach for Revival**

A Youth Revival will be held at the First Baptist Church on Feb. 21-22-23.

Jimmy Turner will do the preaching.

**Pastor to School at Fort Worth**

Rev. Ed M. Jackson, pastor of the First Baptist Church, has enrolled at the Seminary in Fort Worth where he will pursue his studies during this semester. He will attend classes three days each week.

**HOLD MEETING**

The directors of the First State Bank held their monthly meeting on Tuesday, February 11th.

Billy Jack Jenkins, who is employed in San Angelo, spent the week end here with his sisters, Betty Jenkins and Mrs. H. L. Killion and Mr. Killion.

Doyle Maynard is recovering from an attack of pneumonia which he suffered last week. He was released from Rising Star Hospital Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Williams of the Cook community left Tuesday of this week to spend three or four weeks visiting their son in San Antonio, their daughter in Houston and a brother of Mrs. Williams in Raymondville.

Dr. and Mrs. W. S. Carter made a business trip to Brownwood Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Austin Richardson of Arlington visited Mr. and Mrs. Jess Perry Sunday.

Fred Roberds and J. T. Alford made a business trip to East Texas Saturday.

## New Higginbotham President



John T. Higginbotham, of Dallas, son of the late R. W. Higginbotham, one of the founders of the company, is the new Higginbotham Bros. & Co. president. He is also chairman of the board of directors of the Higginbotham-Bailey Company, a director in the Higginbotham-Bartlett Company, and a director of the First National Bank, Dallas. Higginbotham Bros. & Co. operates 9 general stores, 15 lumber yards, and 1 implement company in 15 Central-West Texas towns.

## New President of Higginbotham's Here Last Week

John R. Higginbotham of Dallas, new president of Higginbotham Bros. & Co., accompanied by Tom Beene, Comanche vice president and general manager, was here Wednesday of last week conferring with Jay Koonce, general manager of the Rising Star stores, and familiarizing himself with the operations here. Mr. Higginbotham, who assumed the presidency of the company when T. J. Williams, longtime head of the pioneer West Texas merchandising firm, retired, was on a get-acquainted trip, visiting all units of the company. He spent about three hours in Rising Star.

## Boy Scout Week Is Observed in Service

Rev. R. A. Brooks, Jr., has attended Pastor's Conference at SMU in Dallas, returning Friday. The beginning of Boy Scout week on last Sunday was observed at the Methodist Church. A number of the Boy Scouts were present for the service.

On February 16th to 23rd, the meaning of Prayer and Dedication will be stressed at the Methodist Church, Rev. Brooks leading the observance.

Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Maynard visited her brother, Jess Caffey, in Cisco Sunday, who has been in a hospital in Houston and is now awaiting surgery.

Mr. and Mrs. B. E. Bowers, daughter, Donna, and son, Chris, of Fort Worth, visited Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Maynard over the week end.

Guests in the home of Mrs. A. T. Shults over the week end were Mr. and Mrs. Phil McCanlies and two girls from Breckenridge, also Dr. and Mrs. R. D. Brown and three children from San Antonio.

Mrs. Addie Harris, who is a teacher in Ranger city schools, visited here sister, Mrs. J. A. Ferrell, and Mr. Ferrell this week end.

Dale Key, who works for the Gulf Oil Company in Odessa spent Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Key, and with his sister, Jane Ann.

Ernest Vandivere was confined in Rising Star Hospital last week with an attack of pneumonia.

Mr. and Mrs. Bryan Milner, accompanied by their daughter, Mrs. Bill Roberts, and Mr. Roberts of Cisco, went to Midland Sunday to visit another daughter, Mrs. Stanley Collins, and Mr. Collins.

## \$60 Raised in Polio Fund by Mothers

The Mothers March in the MOD campaign Monday evening, February 3, sponsored by the Rising Star Parent-Teacher Ass'n. raised more than \$60.00 for the polio fund, it was announced this week. The women expressed their thanks for the fine response they received.

A report on the entire campaign will be made later, A. D. Jenkins, chairman, said.

## Rising Star Ends Basket Ball Home Court Season

Rising Star girls dropped two hard-fought games in their last two efforts to fade out of the district championship picture. The crucial contest was with Goldthwaite here Friday night of last week when they dropped their second loss to the league-leading fees by a score of 40 to 38 in two overtimes. Goldthwaite, assured of a tie by that win, went on Tuesday night to defeat Llano and take the district, their second title in a row. Last year a play-off between Rising Star and the Mills County sextet was necessary to settle the title race.

In their last home appearance here Tuesday night, the Rising Star girls lost again to the Cross Plains girls in another closely fought game by a count of 39 to 36. It was the second time in many years that the Cross Plains girls have won over the Rising Star girls, a feat made possible Tuesday by the stellar play of Koenig for the visitors and the fact that the Rising Star girls were far from par both physically and mentally.

In the Goldthwaite game Martha Duggan was high for Rising Star. Duggan was high for Rico-Contrat of the Goldthwaite girls, rated one of the top girl players in the league, scored 32 to lead the field. Tuesday night Martha Duggan again led her team in points with 18. Koenig scored 19 to be high for the field.

The Rising Star boys, although losing both games, showed remarkable improvement in their play. They lost to Goldthwaite on the Friday bill by a count of 76 to 50 after a tight first half. Gary Scott was his team's leading scorer with 16. Tuesday night they were defeated by Cross Plains 56 to 44, Gary Scott and Wicket Walker tying for Rising Star scoring honors with 12 each. Burns of Cross Plains was high for the game with 17.

Mr. and Mrs. Clavis Stovall have moved here from Houston, and have two children in school here. They are living in an apartment at the home of Mr. and Mrs. M. G. Joyce.

## 'Phone Office Remodelling Work Begins

Work of remodelling the Kizer Telephone Company building got under way here this week. Rutherford and Steel, local builders, are contractors.

The plans call for remodelling the interior, including the portion formerly occupied by a grocery store, into new lobbies, offices for the management, a ladies lounge, store rooms and other departments. The size of the building will not be increased, but the front will be redone in a modernistic design including brick, steel, glass and tile construction.

Meanwhile the work of rebuilding and extending the company's exterior lines and toll system was interrupted this week by bad weather. Brooks Construction Co., of Shawnee, Okla., contractors on the rural and toll lines, were well ahead of schedule, however, while the replacement of the urban lines, being done by the Kizer Company with its own crews, was also well advanced. New cable has been strung and tied in and old cable removed over most of the city. Work is under way also on the Cross Plains urban plant.

The Brooks company has cleared the major part of right-of-way for the rural lines reconstruction and extension and work of replacing poles and rebuilding the toll line from Rising Star to Cisco was far ahead of schedule. Great amounts of material and equipment to be used in the reconstruction of the system are being stored in the Butler Chevrolet Building where the Brooks company has its offices.

## Here for Funeral of Mrs. Della Bucy

Among the out of town relatives and friends who were here for Mrs. Della Daniel Bucy's funeral were:

Mrs. Annie Bucy Haley and daughters, Dorothy Glover, Mary Wilson and Jo Ann Dreisbach, all of Dallas; Rev. and Mrs. Oscar Bucy of Rockwall; Mr. and Mrs. Buford and daughter of Arlington;

Mr. and Mrs. Seth Bucy and daughter of Coleman; Mr. and Mrs. Archie Bucy and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bucy, all of Brownwood; Mr. and Mrs. R. E. L. Henry and Robert L. Henry and wife of Fort Worth;

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Joyce of Fort Worth; Mr. and Mrs. Bert Karklits of Hamilton; Mrs. Fay Davis Jones and Mrs. Willie Frank Walker of Cisco; Mrs. V. L. Manvel and Mrs. Burton E. Bailey of Abilene; Mrs. J. S. Mobley and Mrs. C. H. Stephens of Cisco; Mr. and Mrs. Clyde L. Garrett of Eastland; Mr. and Mrs. Homer Smith of Eastland; Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Bardwell and Mr. and Mrs. L. L. White, and Judge John S. Hart of Eastland.

## Conserve Gas, City Urges Customers

The long period of sub-freezing weather which now appears due to continue, has placed a severe drain upon the city's gas supply, Mayor Walter Smith said Wednesday, making it necessary to ask customers of the City Utilities to conserve the fuel as much as possible. "Do not burn any unnecessary gas," he urged. "The city wells are more than ample for the usual winter weather in this area, but the sustained drain caused by the persistent cold, has lowered the pressure at the well-heads to a point where it is necessary to take steps to conserve it."

"We are hoping for a break in the continued cold, but it is not now apparent," said the mayor, "and we want to keep in a position to supply the gas needed by our customers. With their help we can have plenty for everybody. But we cannot do so if there is unnecessary consumption."

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Zakin drove to Jal, N. M., to be with their little granddaughter, age three, who was quite ill. When Douglas Eakin talked to his brother, Sam, Monday, the child was better, and was allowed to be carried home from the hospital.

## New and Retiring BRA Heads



Jack Kultgen, left, business executive of Waco, has been elected president of the board of directors of the Brazos River Authority. He succeeds Herbert S. Hilburn, right, Plainview editor and publisher, who has been a member of the board since 1935 and its president since 1953.



## Waco Man Is New Brazos River Authority Head

MINERAL WELLS. — Jack Kultgen, Waco business executive, has been elected president of the board of directors of the Brazos River Authority to succeed Herbert S. Hilburn, Plainview publisher. Officers re-elected were Howard J. Fox, cottonseed oil executive of Hearne, vice-president; and J. V. Hammett, Lampasas lawyer, secretary.

The board at its quarterly meeting here also reappointed R. D. Collins as treasurer and general manager and Roger Tyler as general counsel.

Mr. Kultgen has been a member of the B.R.A. board since 1953. He is president of Bird-Kultgen, Inc. large Cen-Tex Ford dealers, and a director of the First National Bank of Waco, Central Butane Company, Texas Life Insurance Company, Bird-Thomas Company, Texas Research League and Texas Central Railroad. He is president of Huaco Investment Company, Huaco Corporation and Central Texas Hotel Company. He operates the church-owned Roosevelt Hotel in Waco. On leave of absence from his businesses between 1942 and 1945, he served as Regional Food Rationing Executive in the O.P.A. and Texas District director of the O.P.A.

Mr. Hilburn is editor and co-publisher of the Plainview (Texas) Herald. He has been a director of the Brazos River Authority since 1935, and its president since 1953.

## Student Teachers in Ag Department Here

Rising Star high school has been selected as a student teaching center by the Department of Agricultural Education at Texas A&M College.

The student teachers, Max Walker of Crawford and James Tidwell of Kemp, will conduct classes in the vocational agriculture department at Rising Star High School February 10 to 21, according to Sam Jones, Superintendent of Schools.

Mr. Walker and Mr. Tidwell students at Texas A&M, are preparing to become teachers of vocational agriculture after graduation.

In preparation for this profession, they will spend two weeks of this semester doing student teaching. Such teaching, made possible by cooperation of the local agriculture department and Texas A&M, permits them to gain direct teaching experience under supervision of an experienced teacher of vocational agriculture.

E. V. Walton, head of the Agricultural Education Department at A&M College, said that the local vocational agriculture department, with H. L. Geyer as teacher, is considered one of the outstanding departments in Texas.

Guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wilburn Scott, Sunday were: Elder and Mrs. Will Slater, Mr. and Mrs. Winfield Scott and children and Mr. and Mrs. Pierce Scott and children, all of Fort Worth.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Butler of Jal, N. M., visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Butler, during the week end. Joe is employed by the El Paso Natural Gas Company.

## Snow, Mist and 27 Degrees Recorded Here

Mist, cold wind and snow flurries with a temperature dropping to 27 degrees Tuesday morning, brought a renewal of old time winter weather to this section this week, halting plowing, fence building, and other farm and ranch improvement, stopping construction on the outside lines of the telephone company and slowing down activity generally here.

Early Wednesday the temperature had dropped to 21 degrees. Streets were ice-glazed and covered with about half an inch of snow. The weatherman held out prospects of clearing skies later in the week which most people greeted eagerly. This winter had seen perhaps the longest sustained period of freezing or sub-freezing weather in many years, with no really severe drops but a constant, chilly level of temperature.

It's getting to be a habit.

## 10,000 Expected To Attend Bible Lectures at ACC

ABILENE. (Special) — More than 10,000 visitors are expected on the campus of Abilene Christian College, Feb. 23-27, for the 40th annual Bible Lectureship.

For several years this event has been the largest of all gatherings of members of the Church of Christ, attracting visitors from throughout the United States and from a number of foreign countries.

Theme of this year's lectureship will be "God" and is to be carried out in 14 main lectures. Theme speakers:

H. A. Dixon, president of Freed-Hardeman College, Henderson, Tenn.

Jack Bates, dean of Lubbock Christian College.

J. P. Sanders, dean of George Pepperdine College, Los Angeles.

Batsell Barrett Baxter, head of the Bible Department, David Lipscomb College, Nashville, Tenn.

Elbridge B. Linn, minister, San Diego, Calif.

J. Leonard Jackson, minister, Murfreesboro, Tenn.

George F. Stephenson, minister, Lubbock.

Raymond C. Kelcy, minister, Fort Worth.

W. B. Barton, professor in the Harding Graduate School of Bible and Religion, Memphis, Tenn.

Frank Pack, professor of Bible and religious education at ACC.

M. Norval Young, president of George Pepperdine College, Los Angeles.

Otis Gatewood, former missionary to Germany, now of Abilene.

Alonzo Welch, minister, Memphis, Tenn.

Melvin J. Wise, minister, Dallas.

Also on the program are eight special mission speakers and four groups of panelists. Mission meetings and panel discussions on wills, estates, and annuities also are scheduled.

Forty-three classes will be held daily, Monday through Thursday, including classes for women, for men and for college students.

Ewell Brewer of May was visiting in Rising Star Friday.

## Abilene Help Gets City Out Of Sand 'Trap'

The City of Abilene lent a neighborly hand—several of them, in fact—to Rising Star this week and literally pulled this city out of the sand.

The sand, a 35-year accumulation of it, had packed the 12-inch sewer main running under Highway 36 and draining the major part of the city's disposal system. Efforts of the Rising Star city employes to clear the tube were ineffectual. The obstruction was packed so hard that it proved impossible to force a cleaning rod through it from a manhole. Efforts to clear the line by digging through the pavement in two or three places likewise proved futile. After two days of struggle with the problem the city was on the point of throwing up its hands and calling a private contractor out of Dallas or some other city to clear the main.

After a special meeting of the City Council Sunday afternoon to consider the emergency, a call was placed to Abilene city officials in the chance that some help might be forthcoming from Rising Star's big neighbor on the west. Cost of clearing the line by private contract would be at least \$1,000, city officials estimated.

Told of the Rising Star plight and the fact that two-thirds or more of the city's sewer system was blocked off by the obstruction, City Manager Henry Nabers, responded with, "Sure we'll help a neighbor get its ox out of a ditch. We'd better get a crew together and come down there tonight."

He was assured that the problem could wait until the next morning. But by seven o'clock a.m. Monday he and Bill Haneman, superintendent of the "Key City's" water and sewer department were in Rising Star.

"Thought we'd better come down and look the situation over," he explained, "so we can be sure of bringing the right things."

Within a short while a crew headed by Foreman C. W. Briley and Eldon Renfro, were at work on the clogged line. A long, flexible steel rod, tipped with a special augur-like device, was boring into the sewer through a manhole, operated by a special rotating machine. Gradually it cut through the packed sand which had resisted the manual efforts of the Rising Star workers. After several hours of work it had penetrated the obstruction enough for the water to begin flowing through. Several hundreds of yards farther east, however, the workmen ran into another obstruction through which even the power augur could not force its way. They reasoned that a section of the sewer had caved in at the point, probably originating the entire problem.

Tuesday City workmen dug down to correct this obstruction. Abilene crews planned to use other special equipment to clean out the line and restore it to its proper function. This equipment included power winches which pull an ingenious sand "bucket" back and forth between the manholes, taking big "bites" of the dirt in the line and backing out with it, an operation repeated until all the sand is removed.

After this operation, a "porcupine" consisting of a cylinder equipped with "spines" of steel cable, was to be dragged through the line sweeping out all residue as cleanly as a broom sweeps.

"We are deeply grateful to the Abilene officials for their wonderful and neighborly help," said Mayor Smith. "They really got us out of a tight. The average small city or town doesn't have anything like the special equipment that Mr. Nabers and his people brought here to do the job, and if it hadn't been for their wonderful cooperation the city would have been forced to go to private firms at great expense to do the job. As it is the Abilene city officials are charging us only expenses. They showed us what cooperation really is and we are deeply grateful."

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## ABOUT YOUR HEALTH



A weekly public service feature from the Texas State Department of Health.  
HENRY A. HOLLE, M.D., Commissioner

There was a definite Jekyll-Hyde element in Wilhelm Konrad Roentgen's discovery of the x-ray phenomenon in 1895. Used by trained technicians, x-rays become peerless tools for diagnosing and treating human ills and injuries. But used by untrained hands, they become errant destroyers of living tissue. Even Roentgen didn't realize the danger of his discovery. He apparently did not receive any significant injuries, but his good fortune stemmed from the fact that he constructed shields not for his own protection, but to keep his highly prized photographic plates from being fogged by scattered radiations.

Today there is agreement among many medical authorities that x-ray exposures cause tissue damage. Generally speaking, however, as used by competent physicians the value of diagnosis and treatment far exceeds the controlled damage which must inevitably result.

Recent stringent regulation by the State Board of Health against exposures of humans to x-rays prohibits indiscriminate fluoroscopy. Fluoroscopy is authorized when supervised by persons licensed to "engage in the healing arts."

A case in point is the relatively common practice in recent years of using x-ray machines to visualize feet of normal people, including children, in retail shoe stores.

That they are dangerous has been shown by the State Department's Division of Occupational Health as long as five years ago. Engineers extensively examined machines in various parts of the state and found the vast majority of them to be distinct hazards to customers and to store employees stationed nearby.

The new Board of Health regulations say, "shoefitting fluoroscopes are hereby declared to be neither diagnostic nor therapeutic." But that does not preclude their use as a means of checking a corrective shoe fit as prescribed by a physician.

For persons with normal feet, most shoe stores fit shoes by the time proved methods of pressure, feel, and comfort. But there are persons who require special built in corrections in their shoes. In many of these instances fluoroscopic devices are valuable in checking the accuracy of the correction.

Parents should never submit themselves or their children to fluoroscopic shoe fittings unless their physicians recommend the procedure.

Public Health and medical authorities have a responsibility for seeing that the best possible use is made of x-ray devices in detecting and treating human ills. The public has a responsibility too—in not demanding x-ray from their physician when he does not find one necessary.

### TO EAST TEXAS STATE

Mr. and Mrs. Billy Joe McKinnerney are now in Commerce where they are students in East Texas State College. Both are graduates of Cisco Junior College and Mrs. McKinnerney, formerly Dorothy Murdock, was employed in the Junior College office until they left two weeks ago for their new school. Mr. McKinnerney is the son of Mr. and Mrs. McKinnerney and Mrs. Murdock is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Murdock. Both are natives of Rising Star.

Jess Perry is quite ill at his home here.



Miss Virginia Carey and Miss Alice Sherwood, Public Service Department of West Texas Utilities Company, look over the layouts of newspaper advertisements being prepared for the special Live Better Electrically promotion in the month of February which is being conducted by West Texas Utilities Company. During the month all promotion and advertising efforts of West Texas Utilities Company will carry the theme Live Better Electrically. The second week in February is National Electric Week and special events to emphasize this week are being planned by WTU.

## As It Looks From Here

Omar Burselson, M. C.  
17th Texas District

WASHINGTON, D. C. — The great scientist Dr. Arthur N. Compton pioneered work in nuclear physics which led to the development of the first atomic bomb chain reaction. He pioneered work on x-rays and directed the world cosmic ray surveys. For these and numerous other scientific accomplishments he won the Nobel prize. Dr. Stanley Livingston is Professor of Physics at Massachusetts Institute of Technology. He aided in the development of the first cyclotron, cosmotron and electro-synchrotron. He is a past President of the National Federation of American Scientists. Dr. Livingston is one of the foremost authorities on scientific developments in the Soviet Union.

I have just spent three hours with these two gentlemen in a discussion which might be properly styled, "Implications of nuclear weapons on United States Foreign Policy."

These two scientists agree that Russians ahead of us in some

phases of science while we are ahead in many others. They have no doubt but that the United States leads the Soviets in far many more respects than they lead us.

Neither Dr. Compton nor Dr. Livingston believe that we should launch out on any "crash" program to educate more scientists.

Neither believes that the advance of science in the Soviet Union came from secrets stolen from the United States. Each says that it would hardly be possible for a scientist in one country to take stolen secret formulas of another and put them to use without knowledge and capabilities of producing the formulas in the first place.

Dr. Livingston particularly has talked to many Russian scientists. He says they talk freely about their developments but say nothing about politics. Asked if the Russian scientists had made the leaders in the Kremlin aware that the world can now be destroyed by nuclear weapons, he replied that he believed they had. He further said that they discussed nuclear developments within official Soviet Government policy but not politics itself. Our scientific representatives meeting with the Russians are unable to thusly speak.

Herein lies a major problem for the United States.

It is my privilege to serve as

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The scientists have created these awful and terrifying instruments of destruction which can also be a great blessing to mankind if turned to peaceful purposes. To a large degree, it is also in the hands of the scientists to find the actual means of controlling these weapons between nations who have enemy systems. Diplomatic agreements are one thing—applied controls are another.

It will not be easy nor will it be soon—but it must be certain.

## Shults Implement Company to Have John Deere Day

Shults Implement Company will again be host to the farmers of this area and their families and to other interested guests at a big John Deere Day program this year.

The program will take place on Wednesday, February 19, and the highlight will be a free motion picture show at the Star Theatre.

There will be a full program of films in color, including both entertainment and information on new John Deere equipment. There will be no charge at all. Cecil and Bob Shults, owners of the Shults Implement Company have issued an invitation to all who would like to see the program to come to the Star Theatre at 7 p.m. Wednesday morning.

An advertisement in this issue of the Record gives details of the program.

"We are looking forward to a big farm year," said Cecil Shults. "With all this good moisture—the best season we have had in ten years—everything points to good crops this summer and fall."

"We hope all our farm friends—and our other friends, too—will be our guests for this program. No tickets needed. Just come to the Star Theatre Wednesday evening, February 19, at enjoyable evening."

Harvey Chick, his mother, Mrs. W. A. Chick, and his aunt, Mrs. W. A. Smith, of Rising Star and Mrs. S. H. Eubanks, another aunt, of San Antonio, went to Hobbs, N. M., Saturday of last week for the funeral of a brother of the women, Wade Kirby, who died Friday at Hobbs.

Guests of Mrs. Hazel Butler Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Woolridge of Cleburne and Mrs. S. J. Shaw of Italy, also Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Carlock of Brownwood.

## SOIL CONSERVATION DISTRICT NEWS



Now is the time to plant grass. Moisture condition is most favorable for grass planting in ten years. Many failures in the past resulted from the little moisture and planting too late in the season.

Farmers and ranchers should secure their seed now before prices go up and seed goes short.

W. R. Reid of Blanket has constructed a grass planter that fits on the tool bar of the tractor. L. B. Siker of Bangs has a similar grass planter under construction. These grass planters are similar to those used with a great deal of success in the grass seed nurseries. Anyone who wishes to construct a planter should contact the Soil Conservation Office in the basement of the Courthouse to examine the set of plans for the planter.

Farmers who have not signed up in the Conservation Reserve Program should contact the ASC office for a list of eligible grasses.

Those who have land they want to plant to grass should contact the ASC for a list of eligible grasses and amount of assistance.

Now is the time to get grass planted.

Root plowing and seeding of rangeland is an efficient means of controlling dense stand of brush and seeding a range at the same time. The operation has been tried for a number of years and in some locations in the State. Many thousands of acres of previously unproductive brush land is now producing high quality forage in great quantities.

The Brown County ASC Committee has recognized this practice for payment during 1953 and the Supervisors of the Brown-Mills Soil Conservation District strongly support the practice as a means of range improvement.

The practice is recommended only on the flatter slopes of the District and where the native grass stand has been reduced below 10 to 15% of the original composition. Most of these areas where root plowing and seeding would be advantageous have a deposit of silt covering the site and water penetration is practically nil, regardless of how much rain we get.

The root plowing not only controls brush but also breaks up the crust that has been deposited on the site.

Slopes of three per cent or more are not recommended for root plowing. On the flatter slopes where brush infestation is heavy and grass is scarce, root

## Moon Electric Places TV Service Here

Rising Star now has a new television service, established here this week by the Moon Electric Company of Cross Plains.

An advertisement on Page 3 of the Record this week announces the location of the new service at the Dixon Boggs Gulf Station on North Main Street.

Admiral and Zenith television sets will be sold and service calls will be made promptly and efficiently, Harold Moon, owner of the company, said.

Instructions for making calls are given in the advertisement to which readers of this paper are directed. Mr. Moon has had three years of schooling in television service and repair and five years of experience. His ship is equipped with all the latest testing and repair equipment.

Mr. Moon is well-known in the Cross Plains area where he has been in business for many years. "I will appreciate your patronage," he said, "and I will assure you of satisfactory service."

## Union Center Club Meets February 4th

The Union Center Hobby Club met February 4 at the clubhouse for an all-day quilting session. One quilt was finished for Mrs. Pearl Criswell and one quilted for Mrs. Roy Allen.

Members of the club extended their sympathy to Mrs. W. A. Stevan, whose husband passed away recently. Her address is 1107 N. Avenue I, Haskell, Tex.

A five-dollar donation was made to the March of Dimes and all members made personal donations in addition.

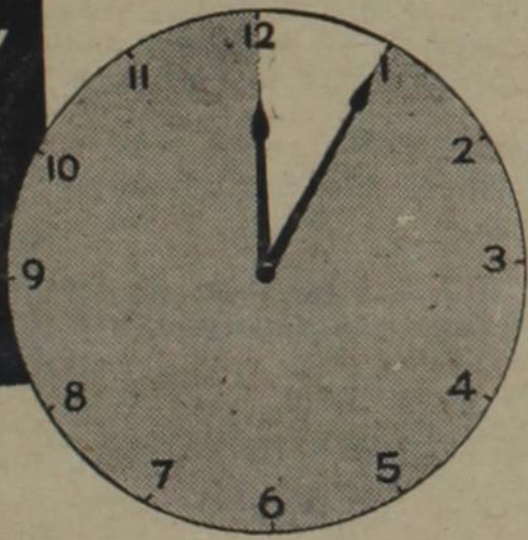
A sack lunch was enjoyed at noon by Mmes. A. W. Wright, Henry Reed, H. C. Scott, Roy Allen, Aaron Gage, G. G. Crowell, Vera McBeth, Jack Knox, B. H. Heairren, and W. A. Martin. Mrs. Ham was a visitor.

Mrs. Martin and Mrs. Knox will have quilts ready for the next meeting.

plowing and seeding has proven a valuable operation. C. M. Garrett, just across the county line in Callahan County and a supervisor of the Central Colorado Soil Conservation District, has had very good results on an area of mesquite and oak brush. Mr. Garrett used Blue Panic grass to seed the range after root plowing. The area treated had no re-sprouting of brush and an excellent stand of grass was obtained.

The practice does require special equipment and know-how to be successful. However, several contractors working in the District are equipped to do the job and technical assistance may be obtained through your District by technicians of the Soil Conservation Service. You are invited to come by the local office in the basement of the courthouse and discuss your root plowing and seeding problems.

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**PHILOSOPHER'S**  
 The San Antonio Festival of Flowers, which the Wildcat Band will attend, has been set for April 25, 1958.

**EDITOR'S SCRAP-**  
 The band has been sight-reading some new numbers in an effort to pick several out for contest. —Reporter

**BETTER SPEECH CLUB**  
**ELECTS OFFICERS**

J. M. Stewart called the meeting of the "Better Speech Club" together Tuesday, January 27. Charles Carroll, read the minutes of the last meeting and they were approved.

We elected new officers and they are as follows: President, Billy Rucker; Vice President, James Stovall; Secretary, Susie Cook; Reporter, Gary Scott; Parliamentarian, Douglas Atwood. Vice President James Stovall presided since our president, Billy Rucker, was absent.

Douglas Atwood, Susie Cook, and J. M. Stewart, made speeches on "Why We Should Have a Park in Our Town".

We have four new members in our club. The new members are Susie Cook, George Cook, Judy Berry, and Billy Rucker. Kenneth Ridens

## SAFETY ON THE ROAD

Safety on the road is everybody's responsibility. We all know that prevention of accidents on the highway has become a national problem; however, many of these accidents are caused by carelessness and could be prevented. If every person under the wheel of an automobile used good judgment and caution, a large majority of accidents would never happen, and many deaths and injuries would be avoided. Drivers need to form good habits to insure safety to themselves and others. The good driver always signals when he is going to stop or turn. He learns to use his bright headlights for open-road driving and dim headlights for city driving and for meeting or passing other cars. He develops the habit of looking out of the rear view mirror often, especially before parking, backing, or passing another car. Besides obeying the many traffic rules, the good driver also takes account of himself before driving. If he is tired or worried, he drives more slowly and stops often on long trips. He never drives after drinking. Courtesy on the highway is something every driver should practice if he wants to make the roads of America safer.

Bennie Sue Morris  
 English II

## JUNIOR CHATTER

We sponsor a Texas School Assembly Program last Tuesday. It featured Frank Coleman, the "World's Only Armless Vibracussionist". His speech was very interesting and one which stirred every person to appreciate the gift of health.

Our class is sorry to lose three of its members: Freida Green, Susie Cook, and Frances Markham. Good luck to you girls, in your future plans.

By the way, Betty, what were you and Jack doing in the science room Tuesday at activity

## BACK AGAIN

I want to thank Bennie Morris for subbing for me last week. She did a professional job and deserves applause.

Three certain Soph girls are surely observant after their experience Sunday afternoon. That dark man in a certain dream has somebody thinking hard. Miss Childress, have you a talent that has gone un-recognized heretofore? Maybe you should cultivate your exceptional store of knowledge.

Mary Lois, we are sorry you didn't get to keep that shiny blue suit. Maybe next time you'll get to keep it. I have no doubts that you will earn it soon.

Sherry Johnson, we heard that your husband, Billy, is on his way here. I hope you will bring him around for us to evaluate. If he is your husband, we are sure we will approve of him one hundred percent.

Even as I write this news, I feel a funny feeling in the pit of my stomach. The old flu bug seems to be taking hold of us again. La Veda has been nearly out all week and was out for one day. Take care, Sophs, that you do not fall prey to the evil bug's nasty wound.

One of our boys is now running track with the best of the upperclassmen. Douglas Walker, we will be watching for some outstanding results from you this year. Good luck to you in this

period?  
 Judy A., Rita, and Judy K., did you enjoy that breezy ride down main street Wednesday afternoon? And were you really as hungry as you pretended to be? Those crackers really looked good.

Don, did you say that you made those gloves?  
 Jerrell, your jokes are fascinating.  
 Bill, we never realized that your initials fitted you so perfectly. WAR.

Karen, where were you last Friday? We miss our Katy—and I must finish this or you may be missing, too.

## OUR CLASS

The students of our class are all fine chaps. They each respect the rights of others and appreciate what others do for them. Each is loyal to his class and classmates. In any type of contest, our class always supports any member of the class in the contest. They all feel close to each other and there is a lasting friendship that ties each one to the other. The boys are courteous to the girls at all times; and this the girls appreciate. They are always honest and above-board in their class work and do not try to get their neighbor's assistance. Another thing that is fine and good about our class members is the fact that each as individuals and as a group respects his teachers. Each shows this respect by putting forth his best efforts in his studies and his extracurricular activities in which he participates. The students each contribute something to the class. It may be humor, intelligence, or any talent he may possess. This talent is put forth and used for the betterment of his class and school. These students of today will grow to become the leaders of tomorrow through the way they are developing their small, but important, talents. A stranger watching our class for one day would feel a deep appreciation for each one at the day's end. He, too, could say that the students of our class are fine chaps.

Karen Steel  
 English II

## FRESHMAN NEWS

This week most of the class had a hand in writing news. The girls have written reports on most of our subjects. Maybe they will give you an idea of some of the things we have been doing.

The Fish girls are entered in a tournament at May the last of this month. I want to con-

gratulate Grade School on winning their tournament. We're selling chances on a box of Valentine candy. The drawing will be held at the game between Cross Plains and RSHS.

Now on with the reports:

**General Science**  
 This six-weeks the "General Science students have been studying very hard. Huh, Mr. White? Last Wednesday we worked in the lab; to make little electric motors was our aim, but they just didn't work out. The topic for general study is climate and weather. We learned the difference between climate and the cause of each. We haven't yet determined the causes of the type of weather we have had around here the last few years.

Today was one of Mr. White's generous days. He gave nearly everyone in the class a report. How about that, La Veda?  
 Jetta

**Homemaking Chatter**  
 I want to tell you readers what we did in Home Economics this week. We began our sewing; we were all so excited! We are making laundry bags; next we hope to make some clothes. Our first things will probably be tight skirts, full skirts, and dresses. We are surely hoping they turn out with about half the right things in the right places.

We Fish would like to say a word of Thanks to our wonderful teacher and sponsor, Mrs. Billie Nowlin. She has really had a lot of patience with us in our first year in sewing and cooking.

Nita Scott

**News in English I**

In English I we Fish have been giving book talks. We started them Tuesday and will end them tomorrow. All of them have been very good and I have a long list of books I am going to read. I know I will enjoy them as much as the ones who gave a talk on them. We have had an enjoyable week.

Ollie, Johnnie, Douglas and I went to the Saturday Club meeting. There we heard Bill Ruth-erford give a book talk on "Good Morning, Miss Dove". It was very good and we enjoyed it immensely. After that the hostesses, Mrs. Roberds and Mrs. Joyce, served delicious refreshments fitting to the Valentine motif: heart-shaped sandwiches, cookies, pink-pink punch and Valentine mints.

## \$50 Prize Offered Junior Historian

AUSTIN.—The Texas State Historical Association is offering a special prize of \$50 as a part of the 1958 Junior Historian Writing Contest for the best article dealing with some phase of University of Texas history. The University is observing its 75th year during 1958.

The Junior Historian Writing Contest also includes the Leslie Waggener Memorial Awards, totaling \$350 in books and prize money. The awards are made possible by Karl Hoblitzelle of Dallas, and they honor the late honorary life president of TSHA. Prizes are \$100, first place; \$50, second place; \$25, third and fourth places; \$20, fifth place; \$15, sixth place, and \$10 each, six honorable mentions. A good Texas book for the winner's library goes with each award.

Contestants must be under 21 and Junior Historian chapter members of members-at-large. April 1 is contest deadline.

Topics for articles are limited to Texas history, and subjects related to community or local history are preferred. Suggested topics include cattle, cattle trails, ranching, cowboy amusements, cattle rustling, fencing, saddles, books, western hats, Indians, Indian depredations, sheep and goats, nesters, cutting horses, oil booms, Texas industries, outstanding citizens, transportation, exploration, wild life, flora, circuit riders, early churches, pioneer railroads, sea stories, air stories, marine life, natural history, expeditions, scenic places, a state park, place-name studies, grass (varieties and usage), timber, horses, home life, social life, Texas artists, musicians, writers, old Texas homes and architecture.

Directions for preparing manuscripts should be obtained from Editor, Junior Historian, Box 8011, University Station, Austin 12.

## BECOMES FATHER

Neil Jones, son of Supt. and Mrs. Sam Jones, is the proud father of a son, Darrell Mark Jones, born Sunday, February 9, in Harris Memorial Hospital in Fort Worth. The baby weighed eight pounds and is the first child born to Mr. and Mrs. Neil Jones.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill White from Comanche visited Mr. and Mrs. Oscar White in Rising Star Hospital.

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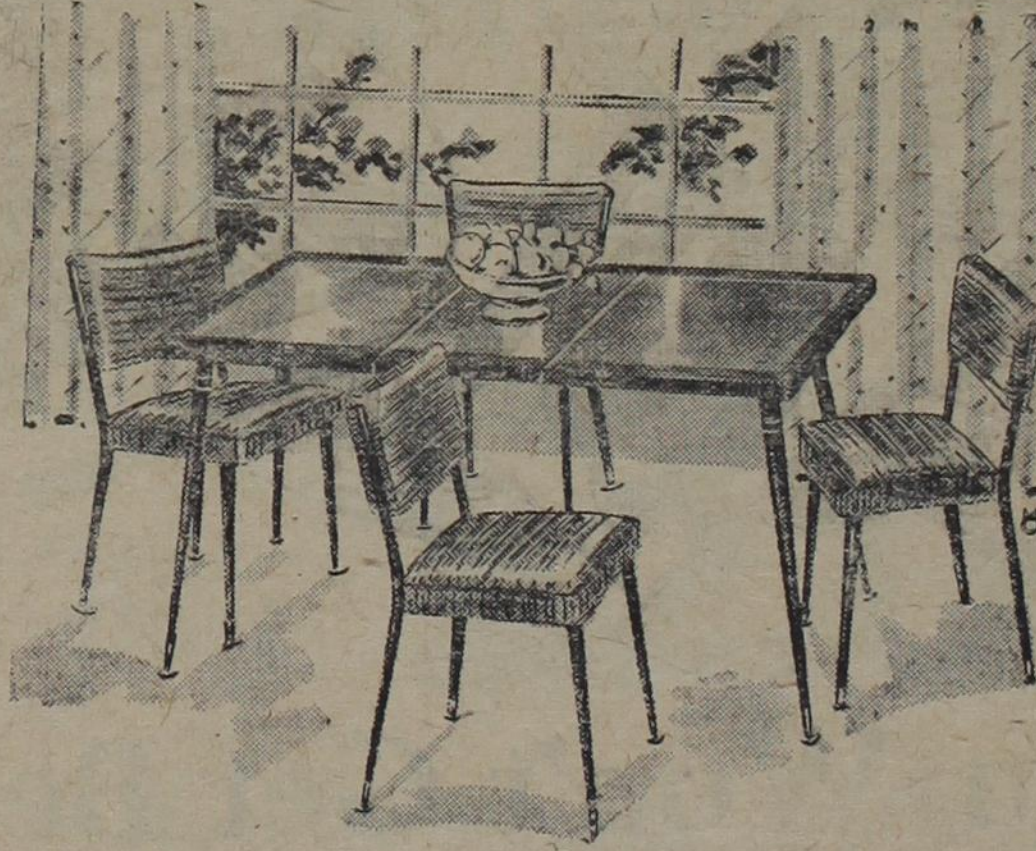
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Guyle Greynolds, who farms three miles south of Rising Star, introduced the grass to the District in 1956. It has proven to be a high quality forage producer and a vigorous seed producer. It will produce 100 lbs. of clean seed per acre under good conditions.

Greynolds planted 10 acres to the grass on April 23, 1956. He planted on a clean seedbed in 38 inch rows, using a two-row planter. One hundred pounds per acre of a 10-20-0 fertilizer was deep-placed in bands below the seed. The seed was planted at the rate of one and one half pounds per acre. An excellent stand was obtained.

"I have planted over 10 different grasses on 400 acres since 1950 on my place and it looks like Blackwell switchgrass is the grass I have been looking for," Greynolds said.

Guyle has been managing the grass for seed harvest. He harvested 50 pounds of clean seed per acre in 1956 and again in 1957. He plans to increase the switchgrass acreage for seed production and will also use it to overseed his native pastures following a brush chopping operation.

Greynolds can see a real opportunity for the hard-hit peanut farmers of the county and the District to expand their operations to include the production of grass and legume seed.

"The present Conservation Reserve Feature of the Soil Bank Program coupled with increased recognition on the farmers part the need and the benefits of grass in a cropland rotation has brought a great demand for these seed," he remarked.

"The Blackwell can be worked into a cropland rotation. The seed can be harvested at a profit and the benefits on the following crop, because of its soil improving characteristics, are great," Greynolds said.

Blackwell switchgrass is a strain selected from native upland switchgrass at Blackwell, Oklahoma. It has been certified for seed production.

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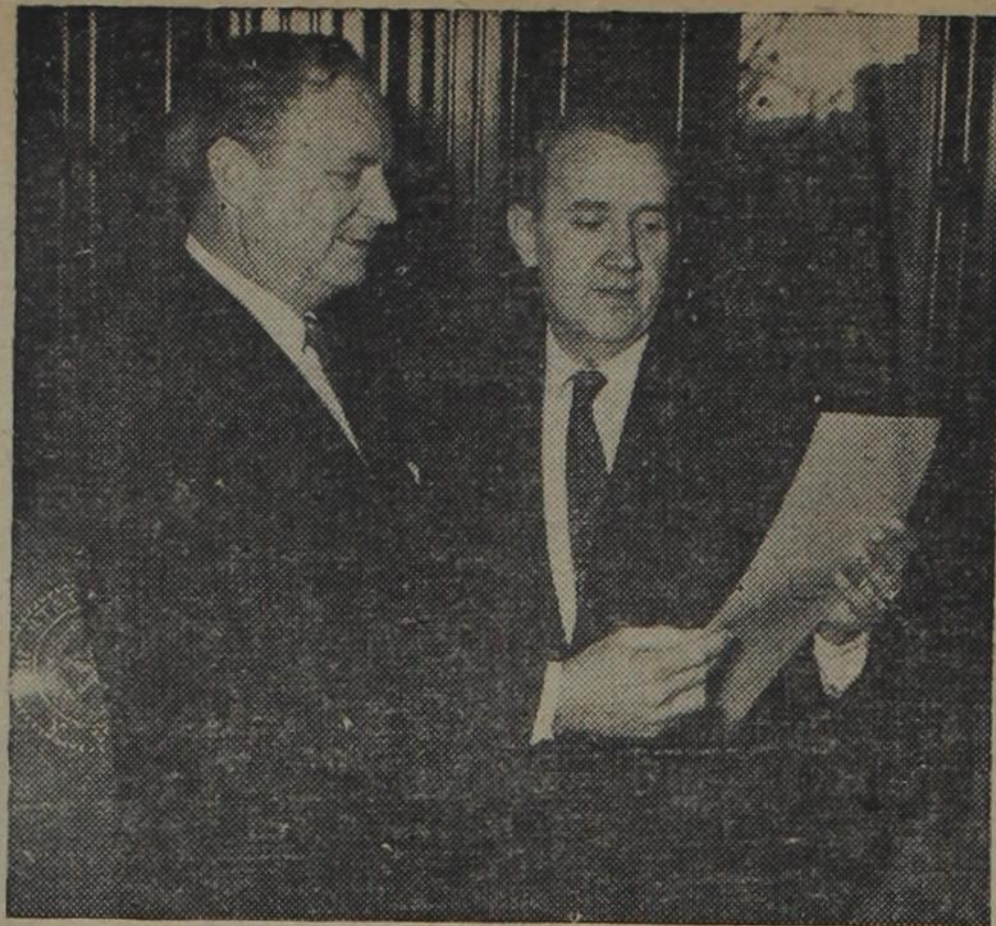


Because "Lamkins" was lonely it paced the fence and tried to get out. So Pat Jameson, 11, Ranger club-boy, borrowed a lamb from Melvin Adams to keep it company. Pat reports his lamb is now better satisfied and bleats a lot less. Pat's friend, Gary Hames, also a club boy, helped to hold "Lamkins" while we trimmed its hooves. The lamb will be shown in the fat lamb class at the county livestock show March 28th and 29th.

The "dugout" that took about two months and a whole lot of the energy of Charles Best, Alex and Tommy Brashier to dig is very nice. It has a board and a dirt roof. A ladder is used to descend to the bottom of it. After looking at the lambs that are named "Blackie", "Tiny" and "Big Fellow" that the boys are feeding out for the show we looked at the elaborate "dugout". Charles and Alex keep their animals in the same pen together as they are neighbors. The boys are members of the Hodges Oak Club in Ranger.

Robert and Ronnie Bostick, Nimrod, former club members, sang and "guitared" a number of songs at the Farm Bureau meeting in the community clubhouse in that community the other night. One of the best ones according to some was about "Rattler", a dog that hung out about the barn, the song being about him and his antics. An older brother of the twins also played with them.

Theo Hale, son of Mr. and Mrs. T. T. Hale, two miles southwest of Ranger, is a member of the Young School 4-H Club in that city. His dad works for the Jumper Construction Company. They recently bought the



TEXAS PUBLIC SCHOOLS WEEK has been proclaimed by Governor Price Daniel for March 2-8. Receiving the proclamation for the eighth annual statewide observance is John McKee of Dallas (right) who has served as state chairman of the Texas Citizens' Committee for Public Schools Week since the week was inaugurated in 1951. Parents and other citizens are urged to visit their local schools during the week.

46-acre place they live on close to the Merriman Church. Theo and his mother showed me his lamb, "Tumbleweed", that he is feeding for the county show. The lamb is unusual in that it will lie down upon command of its young master. Never saw a trained lamb before.

"Mickey" Walker, who lives eight miles northeast of Rising Star has a Suffolk lamb by the unusual name of Mary which he bought through the Eastland auction ring last fall. "Mickey" also has a Hampshire gilt. Both animals are to be exhibited at the county show next month. Martha, his sister, and Douglas, his brother, were formerly outstanding 4-H members. They are the children of Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Walker.

"Cloud", 10-year-old possum and squirrel dog of Lynn Hagens, Pleasant Hill, got the unusual name because Lynn's brother, Bennie, wanted a different name for the pup. We agreed we couldn't have done better ourselves. Lynn has a pureblooded Duroc gilt that will farrow next month. This is a Sears gilt and he will give one sow pig back to be given to some other boy. The sow and rest of the pigs are his. Bennie,

former club boy is now a Baptist preacher.

Sharon Donham, south of Rising Star, has one ewe lamb as her project. Unfortunately she was ill when we went by to see her lamb. It still has its long tail and will have to be docked if she shows it in the livestock show. She is the daughter of Mrs. Helen Donham.

Larry Morrow, Kokomo, member of the Carbon club is really in the hog business. He now has two sows with ten pigs each. He uses an infra-red heat lamp in his brooder pen and reports that the pigs like the heat on the chilly mornings. His Sears gilt is also "expecting" some time next month. Larry is the youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Morrow in that community.

Weldon Thomas, Olden, and Rossie Hodges, Ranger, plan to exhibit animals in the dairy division of the county livestock show. Weldon has a nice Jersey heifer while Hodges has a Holstein cow. Rossie is of the club in the Young School in Ranger.

Jerry Luster, Seranton 4-H boy recently had a sudden attack of appendicitis that even-

tually wound up with the removal of the ailing organ at the Baird hospital. He also has lambs for his project. While checking on the lambs recently we found Jerry all dressed up ready to go back to Baird to have the stitches removed. His sister, Letha, has been an outstanding club girl at Seranton for the past few years.

Johnny Majors and Gene

Grimshaw both of "Hogtown" better known as Desdemona plan to show their club pigs at the county livestock show. Johnny had a spotted Poland China gilt last year at the show. This year he will show a Hampshire gilt. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Majors. Gene is the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Grimshaw and lives five or six miles north-east of Desdemona.

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Grimshaw and three children visited parents in Abilene Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. C. A. have bought the home here as the West Texas Utilities here and plan to move here in the near future.

Miss Mina Robinson is the owner of the Virge home and has moved in an established residence there.

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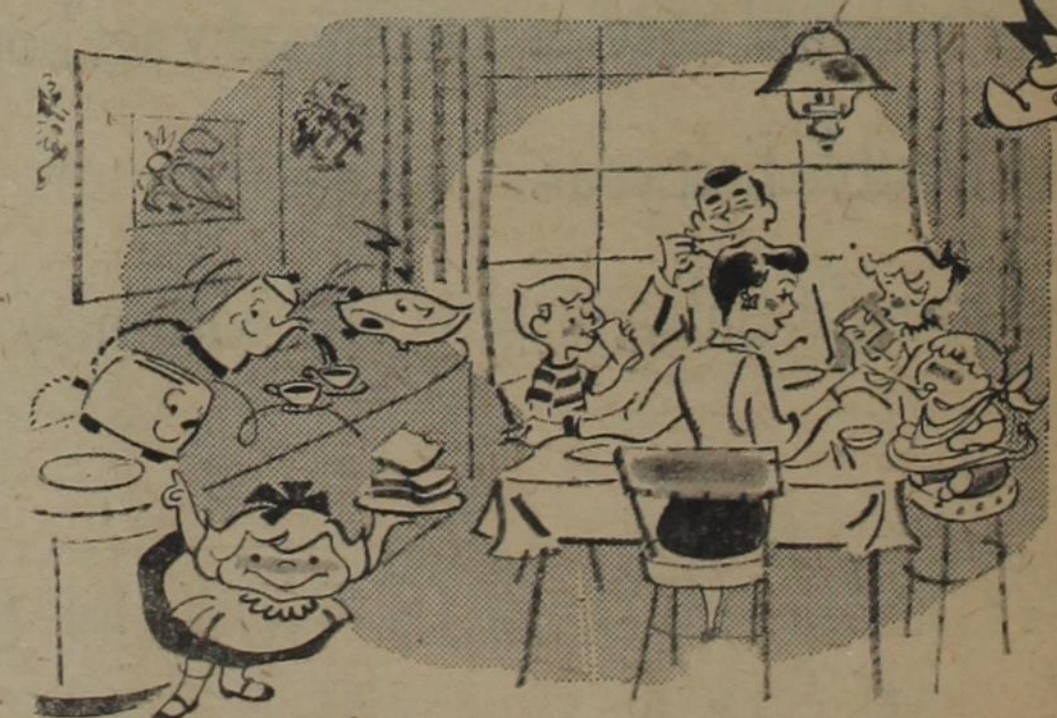
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## 'Our Youth' Theme Of Saturday Club Program Feb. 5th

On February 5th, the Saturday Club met at the Public Library building to honor "Our Youth".

A short business session was conducted by the president, Mrs. Lee Clark. The minutes of the previous meeting were read by the secretary, Mrs. Hazel Butler, who also called the roll. Responses were on "Human Comedy." A letter, addressed to the club was read. It was from an ex-club member, Mrs. Pearl Henderson, in which she expressed her love and appreciation for the club.

A very interesting book review was given by Bill Rutherford, a Rising Star High School senior.

The English students and teachers and Mrs. W. E. Tyler were guests. The refreshment table was laid with a cut-work linen and centered with a beautiful Valentine arrangement. Hawaiian punch, sandwiches, cookies and candy hearts were served by the hostesses, Mrs. M. G. Joyce and Mrs. Fred Roberds.

Miss Lydia Mauldin, a granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. R. Groce was a visitor. She has been a student in Rising Star schools and was a classmate of Bill Rutherford, who gave the splendid book review. Lydia has been in school in El Paso recently.

Attend Church Sunday!

## LOCAL ITEMS

Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Dill of Cross Plains spent Friday with Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Harris.

Miss Peggy Harris of Los Angeles, Calif., spent a few days with her sister, Mrs. Elbert Duggan, and family of Cook.

Mr. and Mrs. B. A. Petzell and Sammy and Mrs. S. W. Fountain visited Mrs. Fountain's sister, Mrs. J. M. Helms, in the Hendricks Memorial Hospital at Abilene Sunday. Mrs. Helms fell and broke her hip at her home in Cisco last week.

Visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Everette Harris Saturday were Miss Peggy Harris of Los Angeles, Calif., Mr. and Mrs. Elbert Duggan and Gayland of Cook; Mr. and Mrs. Joe Johnson and Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Harris.

Mrs. Timmie Johnson is a patient in the Gorman hospital.

Mrs. Annie Bucy Haley, of Dallas, is spending a few days here with her brother, J. R. Bucy.

M. D. Gibson spent the week end in Eastland, where he visited relatives and also visited his sister-in-law, Mrs. Virgil McCaughey, at the hospital there.

Mrs. G. D. Mullins, and her daughter, Mrs. James Samfarel, and son, Dennis, of Longview, Texas, visited M. D. Gibson Sunday. Mrs. Mullins is the daughter of the late Mrs. Edna Polk, a sister of M. D. Gibson, who was reared here.

## WMU Entertains High School Senior Class at Banquet

The W. M. U. of the First Baptist Church sponsored a banquet in honor of the Seniors of High School together with their teachers at the church recently. Each Senior and each teacher invited an escort.

The fellowship hall of the church was decorated in Valentine colors and the tables were laid in white. Place cards marked the places for the individuals.

A large Valentine, trimmed with roses, centered the tables. Hearts and streamers added to the setting. The program included:

A Heart of Thanks, Rev. Ed Jackson; Food for Thought, Eat; Heartfelt Welcome, Mrs. Ed Jackson; Thoughtful Response, Jack Callaway; Thoughts in Tune, Quartet; The Proposal, Jack Smith and Essie Heairen; Lovely Harmony, Quartet; Thoughts Sincere and True, Dr. Nat Tracy; Cupid's Goodnight, Clarence Ellis.

The menu was: Sweethearts Special; Love Notes—Sweet Temptation; Jealous Admiration—Fleeting Clouds; Heart Balm—Bleeding Heart With Cupid's Darts and Lover's Nectar.

## LOCAL ITEMS

George Goss is at home and improving after having had surgery on his throat at Memorial Hospital in Brownwood. His son, Pershing Goss, of Austin, visited him.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Laurent of Plainview and Mrs. Pete Grisham, also of that city, are here the guests of J. H. Williams, father of the women, who is ill at his home.

Mrs. Virgil McCaughey is seriously ill in Eastland Hospital, where Mrs. John Lee, Jr., is her special nurse.

Mr. and Mrs. M. G. Joyce, accompanied by Mrs. Beyrl Heath, visited relatives in Brownwood Friday evening. Mr. and Mrs. M. G. Joyce visited their son and family, Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Joyce, and son, Joe, in Albany on Sunday afternoon.

Guests in the home of Mrs. John Roach Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Carlock of Brownwood; also, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Butler and children. Mrs. Carlock is a sister of Robert Butler's.

Rev. and Mrs. C. L. Johnson and Mrs. Beyrl Heath accompanied Mrs. Flo Appleby to her home in De Leon after she had visited Mrs. Heath here for ten days.

Mr. and Mrs. John Lee, Sr., are here from Albuquerque, N. M., where Mr. Lee has been under treatment for a heart condition, for a period of five months. He is a retired railroad employe. He is the father of John Lee, Jr., who is with the Soil Conservation here.

Walter Perry of San Antonio visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jess Perry over the week end. Other visitors in the Perry home were Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Ritchie of Caddo.

Mr. and Mrs. George McCarty, niece and nephew of Mrs. Beyrl Heath, of Andrews, visited Mrs. Heath here Wednesday.

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We have just received our new certified potato seed both red and white along with all kinds of new garden seed.

We are taking orders for baby chicks. We will also be giving away FREE chicks with the purchase of feed. You can let us know if you will want some of them.

New stock of fertilizer all analysis just arrived. If you don't think it pays to fertilize, go by Ed Kizer's and see his turnip patch along with his beautiful lawn.

Mearlyn and Monty (Adv.)

## Brother of Mrs. Pringle Succumbs

The sad news of the death of Mrs. W. B. Pringle's brother, Alfred Routh, of near Brownwood, was received while Mrs. Pringle was visiting a sister in Midland. Members of the Routh family were reared at the Routh home near Brownwood, but are now living in Lawton, Oklahoma, Midland, Wichita Falls, Rising Star and other places. Mr. and Mrs. Pringle owned and operated a grocery store here until recently.

Funeral arrangements for Alfred Routh are incomplete.

## Returns From Visit To Sons in California

Mrs. Flara Westerman has just returned from a five-week visit with her sons, Bill, of Ceres, Calif., and J. M., of Bridgeport, Calif. Bridgeport, Mrs. Westerman said, is located in a beautiful valley high in the Sierras, at an elevation of 6,473 feet. She visited a mammoth skiing resort at 11,034 feet, while there. She also visited Reno, Carson City and Virginia City, the last of which she found most interesting for its past as an old silver and gold mining town. Donna Pass, where the sun shining on a great snowfield made a winter wonderland, was a beautiful place, she said.

## Somerfords Hosts To Their Children

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Somerford were hosts over the week-end to all of their children and grandchildren except one—Jake Somerford and Mrs. Somerford of Midland.

Those present for the reunion here were Mr. and Mrs. M. O. Carter and daughters, Doris and Geneva, of Littlefield; Mr. and Mrs. Troy Somerford and Judy of Fort Worth; Mr. and Mrs. Loyd Havens of Crane, and Mr. and Mrs. Carl Bowers of Rising Star, the children; Joe Carter and Miss Shirley Kees, Fort Worth; Mr. and Mrs. Claud Smith of Coleman; and the following friends: Silas Havens of Odessa and Mr. and Mrs. O. B. Fomby of Cross Plains. The occasion was a celebration of Mrs. Somerford's birthday, Friday, Feb. 14.

## TO WORK ON BOOKS

Members of the Saturday Club will meet at the library Wednesday at 2 p.m. to work in the library books. All club members are asked to help.

## North Star Club Has 13 Members at Jan. 28th Meeting

North Star Home Demonstration Club met in the clubhouse, on the afternoon of Jan. 28, with 13 members and two visitors in attendance.

During the opening exercises Mrs. Beyrl Heath led the devo-

tional, reading Ps. 46-1.

Mrs. W. H. Ware reported on attending Council in Eastland on the afternoon of Jan. 8. Mrs. J. T. Alford also attended this meeting.

Following the business session, the meeting was turned over to Miss Sandra Jo Kirkland, County Home Demonstration Agent, for an interesting and instructive demonstration, entitled "Soups," during which a delicious cream of tomato soup was made and sampled by each one present.

The thought for the day was "The woman who wants to do something finds a way, the other finds excuses."

Those present at this meeting were Mmes. J. T. Alford, and little son, Larry, Dennis Clark, J. T. Coursey, Lee Burkhead, Henry Gregg, A. J. Hardin, Claud Harris, Eliza Harris, Beyrl Heath, Will Ware, York Eberhart, Rufus Pierce, J. C. Hudson. Visitors were Mmes. Della Bender, F. D. Chambers and Miss Sandra Jo Kirkland.

# Special Sale

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Due to the increasing cost of labor and materials, we have been forced to make a small increase in the price charged for this service.

Even at the new price of \$2.00 our stations are charging less than stations in other towns near by.

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## Special CLOSE-OUT on MEN'S SUITS

- \$48.50 Suits, all wool ..... \$32.50
- \$47.50 Suits, all wool ..... \$32.00
- \$44.95 Suits, all wool ..... \$31.50
- \$27.95 Sport Coats, all wool ..... \$17.95
- \$32.50 Overcoats ..... \$18.50
- \$15.00 Men's Long Jackets ..... \$9.50

# H. S. Childress DRY GOODS

### Amity News

Mrs. O. J. Reynolds

I've been getting complaints from out of the community readers as well as home folks about not getting the Amity news in lately. I was away from home three weeks and since I came home I haven't been around much to get news.

We went to the Progress Club meeting Saturday where we had a good crowd for the business and program session. Our county agent, Angus Dickerson, was there with some valuable information on poisoning undesirable timber, also on the planting of different kinds of grass.

Mrs. Caudle, our program chairman, directed some lively games that were enjoyed by all.

Other visitors were Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Haile and Gary of Andrews, Texas.

The next meeting will be a social on Feb. 22 and as that's when we eat, it was decided to serve cherry pie with whipped cream, coffee and cocoa.

Any member that misses these meetings really misses something. Visitors are always welcome.

Claude Griffin is at home after spending several months in a Temple hospital where he received treatment for a lung trouble. He expects to stay at home a few months then go back for a checkup and possibly more treatments.

Mrs. Buster Brown went to Fort Worth Saturday night for a visit in the home of her son, Bobby Gene, and wife, and to make the acquaintance of the new granddaughter there.

Mrs. A. D. Jenkins is spending a few days at Fort Worth with her daughter, Mrs. Sue Harris, who moved from Rising Star to Fort Worth last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Bramlet visited Mr. and Mrs. Roy Stanleigh at Blake recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Truett Dawkins of Sabanno spent Sunday before last with Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Henry. The ladies are cousins.

I. W. and Elizabeth Robertson visited the John Robertson family near Comanche Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Dohal White and children of Buckeye, N. M., visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. I. A. White recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Haile and Gary of Andrews spent Saturday night in the O. J. Reynolds home. They attended the funeral service of Mrs. Henry Martin of Childress, Texas, at Abilene on Saturday. Mr. Martin is a cousin of Virgil and Mrs. Martin was a sister of Charlie and Guy Houser of Sipe Springs.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest McDaniel of May spent Sunday before last with their son, Corbett, and family.

Bonnie Reynolds visited friends in Brownwood on Sunday before last.

Mr. and Mrs. Horace West and daughters of Rankin, Tex., visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. R. West, recently.

Mrs. Leber McBride of May spent last Thursday with Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Henry.

A Mr. White and Mr. Folks of Brownwood and Henry Lindley have gone to Seymour on a wolf hunting expedition.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Cockrell, Nancy, Stevie, and Jeannie of Fort Worth visited the Virgil Bramlets recently.

The O. J. Reynolds family visited relatives at Merkel and Abilene three week ends ago.

Dorothy Lindley spent last week end with the James Seale family near Sidney.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Henry visited his aunt, Mary Smith, in Rising Star Saturday.

Jim Cosper and his grandson, James Ray Tomlinson, of Abilene visited in the O. J. Reynolds home on Sunday before last.

**Hazel Butler WSCS Program Leader**

The hymns, "Have Thine Own Way" and "I'll Live for Thee" were sung to open the meeting of the W.S.C.S. of the Methodist Church Monday at 2:30 p.m. Mrs. Hazel was leader for a program, "Christian Action on the March." As moderator, Mrs. Butler led a round table discussion on questions pertaining to a Christian's activity and responsibility in community life, in state and national affairs. The meeting was closed with benediction.

Mrs. T. A. Reed has returned from a visit with her daughter, Mrs. R. M. Woods, and family at Baytown. Her son, W. G. Reed, went to Baytown to return her home last Sunday. On Sunday, also, a great-granddaughter of Mrs. Reed was born to Mrs. Dalton Woods at Baytown.

Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Eakin visited friends in Stephenville Sunday afternoon.

**CARD OF THANKS**  
We wish to express our sincere thanks to our many neighbors and friends who were so kind and thoughtful in our bereavement. We deeply appreciate the visits, the cards, letters, flowers which comforted us and the food which was prepared. To all who in any way expressed their thought of us in our sorrow we are grateful. We are especially thankful to Dr. Ben Bradley and the nurses at Rising Star Hospital.  
J. R. Bucy and Children

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Meets Every Monday Night

C. M. Carroll, N. G.  
Ralph Kizer, Secretary

**Rising Star Lodge No. 688 A. F. & A. M.**

Meets Second Thursday night of each Month.

**MONTY JO JONES, W. M.**  
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1957 Chevrolet 4-door Bel Aire like new. Fully equipped. 1954 Ford 2-door. Low mileage. Barney Cargile, A-G Motors Co., Cisco, Texas. 2-6-tfc

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**FOR SALE**—1949 Chevrolet pick-up. In fair condition. Can be seen at 102 West Pioneer St. after 5 p.m. Mrs. Lawrence McKinney. 2-6-3tp

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**WE ARE HAPPY** to announce that C. R. Myrick of Cottonwood is our representative in the Rising Star area. See him for any monument service. Your business appreciated. REED MEMORIAL CO., INC., Brownwood, Texas. 3-28-tfc

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**NOTICE**—Lake Cisco skating rink just remodeled including floor. Open every night except Sunday 7 to 10. Sundays 2 to 5. For parties phone Hillcrest 2-2012 or HI 2-2666, Cisco. 2-6-4tc

**FOR SALE**—Large upright piano. Good for a church or large room, \$35. Gas Electrolux refrigerator, \$35. GE Electric Frigidaire, \$35. Halfway between Eastland and Cisco on Highway 80. Mrs. Omar Burkett. 2-13-2tc

**I STILL** have a few bales of good baled oats for sale. Art Fisher, First State Bank. 2-13-3tp

Mr. and Mrs. Art Fisher and children visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Fisher, at May Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Bowman of Fort Worth spent the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Reed.

**POLITICAL Announcements**

The Rising Star Record has been authorized to announce the following as candidates for the public offices as designated, in the Democratic First Primary election in July 1958:

State Representative 76th Dist.:  
**PAUL BRASHEAR** (Re-Election)

For County Judge:  
**JOHN HART** (Re-Election)  
**CLYDE L. GARRETT**

For County Clerk:  
**JOHNSON SMITH** (Re-Election)

For District Clerk:  
**ROY L. LANE** (Re-Election)

For County School Superintendent:  
**H. R. (Pop) GARRETT**

# WATKINS Food Market

FRIDAY AND SATURDAY SPECIALS!

<b>Cake Mix</b> GLADIOLA	3 for 95c
<b>Pineapple</b> CRUSHED Flat	15c
<b>Corn</b> DEL MONTE	2 for 37c
<b>Carrots</b> Lb. Pkg.	2 for 25c
<b>SUGAR</b> 10 Lb. Bag	99c
<b>CRISCO</b> 3 Lb. Pail	95c
<b>COFFEE</b> White Swan	Lb. 89c
<b>PEARS</b> PACIFIC GOLD No. 2 1/2	35c
<b>FRYERS</b> Lb. 45c	<b>CHEESE</b> OLD SHARP CHEDDER 20 Oz. 89c
<b>GOOCH'S GOOCH'S COUNTRY STYLE SAUSAGE</b> 2 Lb. Bag	89c
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<b>Oxydol</b>	Large Box	25c
<b>Spaghetti</b> DIAMOND—With Tomato Sauce	No. 300 Can	10c
<b>Honey</b> Pure Clover and Vetch	1/2 Gallon Can	99c

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