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Farm Safety Week

The element of risk is an occupational hazard of farming. And there are two types—financial and physical.

Vast armies of statisticians and farm economic experts have worked for years to lessen the effects of the first type. But reduction of the physical risk is largely up to the individual farmer.

National Farm Safety Week is being observed between July 21 and 27th. It is designed to focus attention on and help reduce the tragic toll of agricultural accidents.

If 1957 holds true to the average, then some 15,000 U. S. farm residents will die of farm mishaps. Another 1,300,000 persons will be injured. And many of these accidents could have been avoided.

Most mishaps occur during peak work seasons when hired help is apt to be short, causing the farmer to work longer hours and become tired long before the job is done. As a result, he is tempted to take risky short cuts or postpone needed repairs on machinery and buildings. This sets the stage for crippling accidents.

Farm machinery is a big killer. Careless handling of equipment causes many accidents but even a careful operator may be hurt if he is running broken or worn machines. A good maintenance program for machinery could do much to keep down farm tragedies.

Farm animals are another common cause of injuries and death. Some accidents with animals are unavoidable. Still, many result from impatience on the farmer's part or an underestimation of the animal's dangerous traits.

Fire takes an annual toll of about 3,500 persons—not counting the millions of dollars lost in valuable food, domestic animals, clothing, buildings and equipment. These fires occur at the rate of 300 per day and most can be traced to defective heating units, overloaded electrical wires, lack of protection from lightning, etc.

Even discounting home fires, another 4,000 farm people die each year from accidents inside the house. Thus, home safety is a prime starting point in eliminating accidents which rob families of their livelihood.

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NO WILLS? WHO INHERITS PROPERTY?

What will happen if you should die without executing a legal and proper will? Who will inherit your property? Your husband, wife, mother, father, children, your wife's relatives? The best way you can say who will have it is to provide a will which will protect your rightful beneficiaries and dispose of your property in accordance with your wishes.

When a deceased has no will, or dies "intestate" as the law calls it, the property of that person is distributed according to a detailed formula fixed by law. In some cases this may be the way you yourself would divide it—but in many cases it is not.

The provisions of the law concerning the distribution of the property of a person who dies without a will are rather complicated, and all of the possibilities cannot be covered by a general statement.

There are different rules for real estate and for personal property, for community property and for separate property, for homesteaded property, and for all of the many possible combinations of surviving relatives. Each situation must be carefully studied to determine the correct distribution of the property.

For example, here is a general idea of how the community property which you and your spouse have accumulated will be divided if you do not make a will prior to your death.

If your husband or wife survives and there are no children, the surviving spouse receives all of the property.

If, in addition, there are surviving children or descendant of deceased children, they would divide one-half of the property, while the surviving spouse would receive the other one-half.

Of course, grandchildren do not share in the estate unless their parent who would inherit is deceased. And when descendants of previously deceased children do inherit, they receive only the portion that the child would have received, regardless of the number of such descendants.

An odd note, perhaps, is that a surviving spouse already owns one-half of the community property prior to your death, and the law adds nothing to this share where there are children surviving.

Only children who are surviving, and who are not the surviving spouse, are beneficiaries.

person should ever apply or interpret any law without the aid State Bar of Texas, is written of an attorney who is fully advised concerning the facts involved, because a slight variance in facts may change the application of the law.)

IOOF Lodge Installs Officers Monday

Doyle Maynard, Noble Grand, and C. M. (Mutt) Carroll, Vice Grand, were installed as officers of the Rising Star IOOF lodge at a meeting of the lodge Tuesday evening at the lodge hall here.

Jerry Lyon, Secretary, and Minter Hardin, Treasurer, were installed at a meeting in January. These officers are elected for a year. The Noble Grand and Vice Grand are elected for six-month terms. Kelsey Starks, Warden; Denman Burns, Conductor; Oral Davis, RSNB; L. G. Crawford, LSNB; Tillie Gardner, LSVG; Everette Parker, RSVG; L. A. Grisham, Inside Guardian; W. J. Cross, Outside Guardian; John Roach, LSS, and John Nunnally, RSS, officers appointed for six months terms, will be installed at the next meeting of the Lodge.

40 Girls Attend 4-H Club Camp July 11-12

Forty persons attended the Eastland County Girls' 4-H camp at the Church of God camp grounds July 11 and 12. The theme was "Happiness Holiday".

Camp officers, elected during the first general assembly were: Letha Luster, chairman; Patsy Fox, secretary; and Gwen Patton, inspector.

Some of the camp activities were swimming, crafts, folk dancing, and singing. The devotional period Thursday night was a candlelight service.

Curtis Boase, assistant county agent, was a guest at the noon meal Friday.

Frank J. Pruitt of the circulation department of the Abilene Reporter-News was here Monday on business with Tom Baker, who has handled the circulation of the Abilene newspaper here for several years.

Mrs. J. D. W. Jones and daughter, Mrs. Weldon Roach and children went to Brownwood Saturday to visit a brother of Mrs. Jones, Alvis M. Jones, and family. They were met there by a sister of Mrs. Jones, Mrs. Ben Zieschang, and family of Goldthwaite.

Miss Jay Childress was in Rising Star Hospital this week for treatment.

Revised Guide for Farmers Gas Tax Refund Available

A. E. Fogle, Jr., Administrative Officer of the Abilene Internal Revenue office, announced today that a revised Farmer's Gas Tax Refund guide booklet is now available to assist farmers fund claims for the year ending in submitting Federal gas tax return June 30, 1957.

The publication, No. 308, together with claim Form 2240 and instructions for submission of claims are available on request at the Abilene, Texas, Internal Revenue office. Forms and instructions also may be obtained at county agricultural agents' offices.

Claims should be filed on Form 2240 on or after July 1, but no later than September 30, 1957.

Last year a million and a quarter farmers filed claims for refund of the Federal tax on gasoline used for farming purposes, and refunds averaged \$20.

It is estimated that the number of claims for refund filed this year will be close to 2,500,000, and the total refund is expected to increase correspond-

ingly. These expected increases are due to an increase in the Federal gas tax rate from two to three cents a gallon plus the fact that an entire year will be covered by these claims whereas only taxes paid on gas used during the first six months of 1956 were subject to the claims filed last year.

The Farmer's Tax Refund guide explains in plain language the rules and procedures to be followed in filing a claim for refund of the Federal gasoline tax. It also explains conditions under which the farmers may purchase diesel fuel and other special motor fuels, to be used for farm purposes, without payment of the Federal tax thereon.

Union Center Club To Have Party July 23

Twelve members and three visitors were present Tuesday, July 9, for the regular meeting of the Union Center Hobby Club. Two quilts were finished, one for Mrs. Stewart, and one for Mrs. Hudnall.

Plans were made to meet Tuesday, July 16, to quilt two additional quilts. During the meeting eight chairs were varnished. A sack lunch was enjoyed at noon.

Visitors were Mrs. Hud-

Those present were Mmes. Allen, Stewart, Crowell, Martin, Maples, Wright, Reed, Gage, Knox, Scott, Sheffield and Heairnall, Mrs. Bowers and Mrs. McGuire.

The next regular meeting of the club will take place on Tuesday, July 23 and a community party will be held that evening. Everyone is welcome. —Mrs. G. G. Crowell, Reporter.

Awarded Scholarship At North Texas

DENTON.—Wanda Ann West of Rising Star has been awarded a scholarship of \$100 for study as North Texas State College in the 1957-58 school year. Vice President A. M. Sampley has announced.

The grant comes from the Will C. Hogg Memorial Loan and Scholarship Fund and the McAtee Trust Fund. Seven other students received similar awards this week.

Miss West is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Marion E. West, Route 2, Rising Star.

She was valedictorian of both her May High School and Cisco Junior College graduating classes. She was editor of her high school newspaper and yearbook and president of the student council. In junior college she was named to Who's Who for two

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Dr. Morrison Opens Office in Merkel

Citizens of this area will be glad to learn that Dr. Kenneth Morrison, has opened an office in Merkel, Texas, doing general dentistry and oral surgery. Dr. Morrison is a 1956 graduate of the University of Texas Dental Branch in Houston, Texas, and a graduate intern in oral surgery from Peter Smith Hos-

pital, Fort Worth, Texas, on July 1st. Dr. Morrison said he received a hearty West Texas welcome in Merkel.

Mrs. Della Bender has visited her niece in Lubbock, a sister in Amarillo and also a brother in Eldorado, Oklahoma. Her son, Lee Bender, and his children, from Tampa, Fla., are now here for a visit with his mother

and his sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Carr, and his own daughter, Virginia Carr, who lives here with her uncle and aunt and with her grandmother. Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Dunston and his sister, Judy Dunston, have visited Mrs. Dr. Busbee and other friends here. The Dunstons live in Houston.

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Photo by Roger Parker
There's fun for all the family at Bonham State Park, three and a half miles southeast of Bonham on Farm Road 271. An artificial lake supplies fishing, boating and swimming. There is plenty of playground equipment for the younger children, two large picnicking grounds, two pavilions, a large concessions building with bathhouse and a group camp that can house 80 people.

Man-Made Moon Model to Be Shown At State Fair

A full-size replica of the "man-made moon" which will be launched into space to circle the earth will be exhibited at the 1957 State Fair of Texas, Oct. 5-20.

The Dallas Health Museum will display the earth satellite model, along with much of the IBM calculating equipment which will gauge its flight and record its reports. A model of the three-stage launching rocket which will carry the "moon" into space also will be on exhibit.

The exhibits will be furnished by the U. S. Naval Research Laboratory in Washington, D. C., where the technical program is being carried out for Project Vanguard.

"Vanguard" represent man's first real attempt to conquer space. The earth satellite, a sphere 20 inches in diameter packed with intricate instru-

ments, will be fired into outer space where it will circle the earth in an orbit some 300 miles out. Its instruments will send back data by radio which will assist scientists in their studies of space.

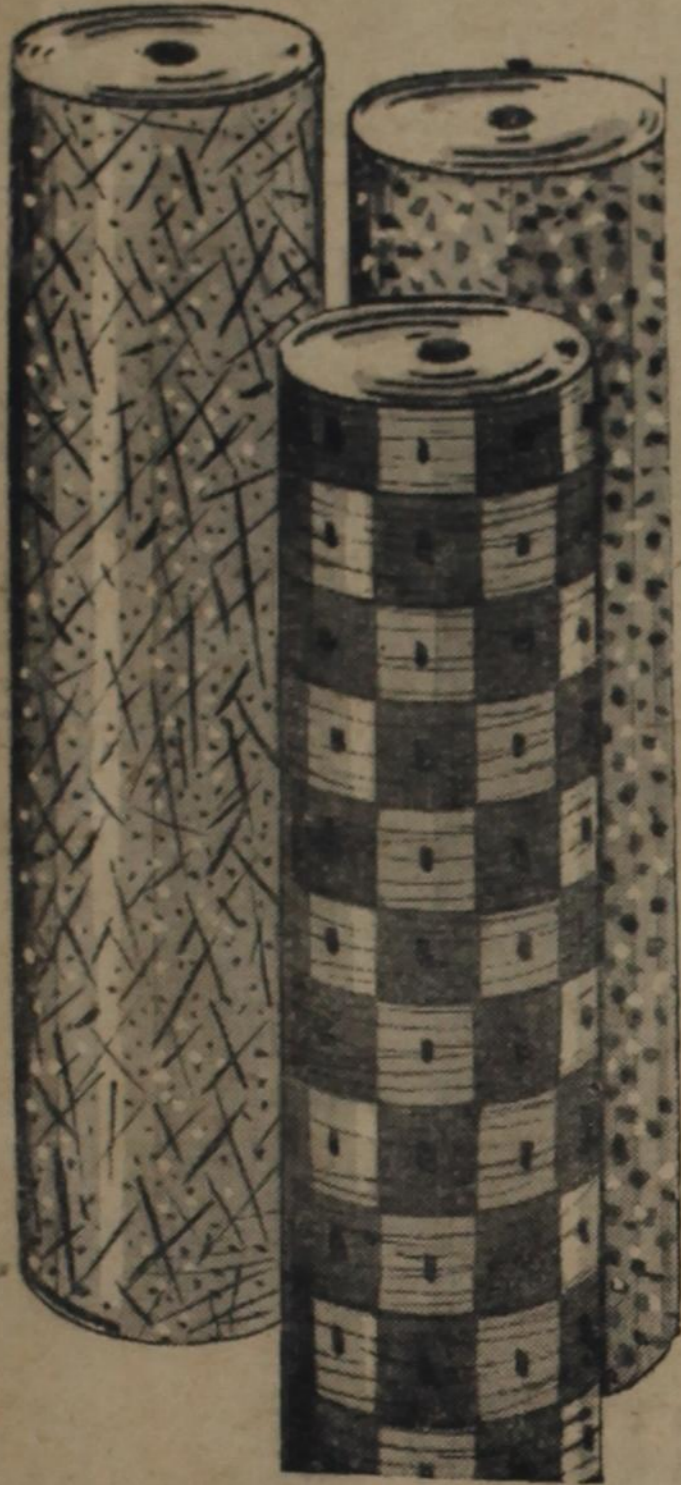
The launching of the "man-made moon" is one of the experiments to be carried out by the United States' scientific program for the current International Geophysical Year which began July 1.

It is estimated that the "Vanguard" project has already cost \$57,000,000, with hundreds of the nation's scientists involved in work to perfect the satellite sphere, design the equipment to track it and build the giant rocket to take it up.

Henry Carter, former county commissioner, underwent surgery at Hendricks Memorial Hospital, Abilene, last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Abe Hester of Oxnard, Calif., are visiting Mr. and Mrs. S. T. Lyon here this week. Mrs. Hester and Mrs. Lyon are sisters.

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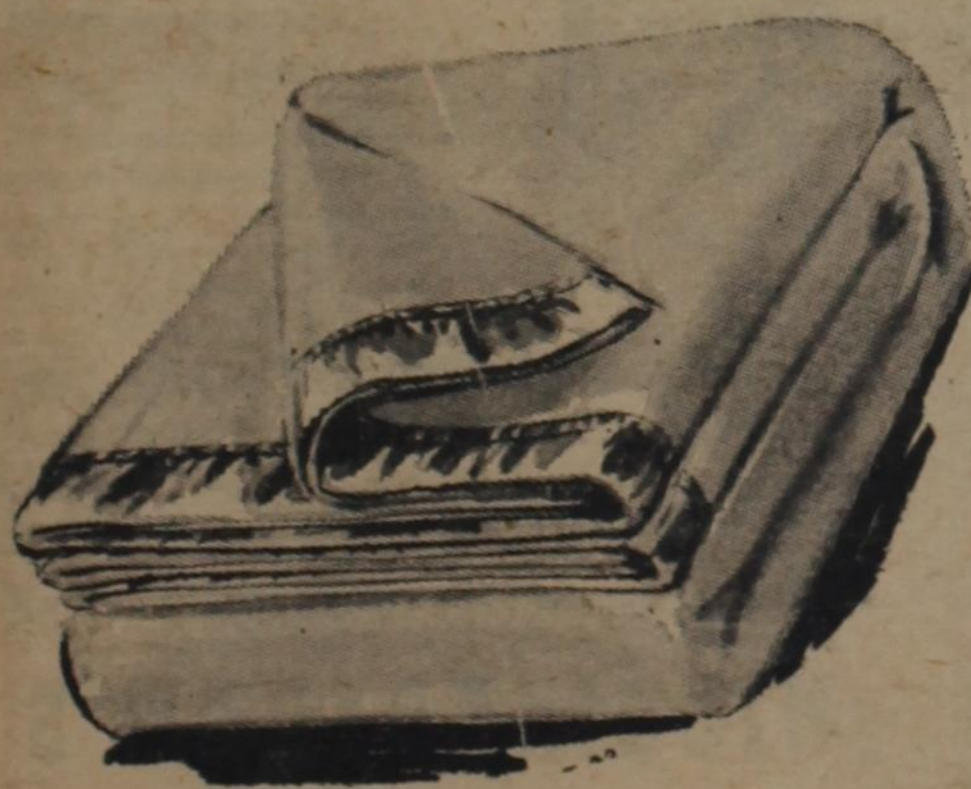
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HIGGINBOTHAM'S

Cherokee County Youth Give Job Opportunity Views

COLLEGE STATION. — A study was conducted by the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station in 1956 to determine the attitude of high school seniors toward occupational opportunities and social services in Cherokee county.

All of the white senior boys and girls in the county (234) were interviewed between January 3 and June 1. Of those interviewed, 78 were classified as rural farm, 72 as rural nonfarm and 84 as urban dwellers.

A bulletin just released by the Experiment Station, "Attitudes of Youth Toward Occupations, Opportunities and Social Services in Cherokee County", reveals some of the ideas of the youngsters and the reasoning behind their decisions.

The boys in the county prefer a job in a town or city to ownership and operation of their own farm. Senior girls prefer that their husbands hold an average job in town rather than own and operate a farm, according to the bulletin.

Included in the main objections to farming were the hard work, long hours, low pay, uncertainty of crop success and the lack of a promising future. Even those who said they would like to stay on a farm said that first they would have to have the right "set-up". This "set-up" usually included such things as tractors, other machinery, large acreage of land, sizable herds of purebred beef cattle, grade "A" dairies or broiler houses.

Most of the students prefer to stay in Cherokee county, but said that they would probably have to leave because of the low job opportunities there. The students were in favor of industrial expansion. They feel that this expansion has been held back by influential people who fear competition and are unwilling to change.

President Sees Bright Prospects For Cisco College

The outlook for a larger student body at Cisco Junior College is very bright at this time, President Grady Hogue reported. Mr. Hogue and other college officials are spending the summer contacting prospective students in all parts of this region.

Mr. Hogue said he had talked to 28 girls who graduated from Cisco High School last spring and 25 of them are planning to attend the local college this fall as freshmen students. The percentage of boys was considerably less as several have entered or plan to enter the military service and others expect to attend 4-year college. A number of 1957 boy graduates, however, will enroll here.

At Scranton, it was determined that five of six 1957 graduates expected to enroll this fall at Cisco Junior College. Six students from Rising Star's graduating class of 21 have indicated a preference for the Cisco school.

Mr. Hogue said they were making calls in all area towns and communities and were encouraged by the outlook for this fall. He invited anyone wishing to discuss an education problem to call at his office at the college.

Plans for the fall call for the school to open for pre-registration Sept. 3-7, regular registration on Sept. 9 and 10, freshmen orientation and tests on Sept. 11 and 12, and for the beginning of classes on Sept. 13.

Cisco Junior College is a fully accredited two-year school whose credits are recognized and accepted by all four-year colleges and universities, Mr. Hogue pointed out. He noted that students attending the local college could save considerable money in tuition and other costs while they are getting off their first two years and preparing to begin their specialty education.

The college plans to begin football workouts about Sept. 1.

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Aid to Helpless Invalids Will Be Available Soon

Complete and permanent invalids or persons so mentally deranged that they require continuous oversight to keep them from harming themselves or others may soon be able to receive small monthly checks from the State Department of Public Welfare through the new state-federal program of Aid to the Permanently and Totally Disabled, it was announced. A Constitutional Amendment, adopted by the voters in November, 1956, limiting the amount of money that can be appropriated for this program to 1.5 million dollars per year, makes aid possible only to those who are helpless and have no relatives able to support them.

Arla E. Hallford, Welfare Supervisor for this area, pointed out that this is the only welfare program which requires consideration of the ability of relatives to support. This law defines "responsible relatives" as children, parents, step-children, step-parents, brothers and sisters. Hallford said that for the first time in nearly 20 years the Department's field workers will be required by law to determine the resources of relatives of persons who apply for aid.

The "permanency" and "totality" of the disability will be determined by a State reviewing physician after study of a complete physical or mental examination by the person's own physician. Complete helplessness from a medical standpoint, rather than inability to work, is the criterion. The state will pay the private physician for his ex-

amination.

Funds for assistance payments will not be available until September 1, 1957, but applications will be taken after July 15. While the helpless individual will not be able to leave home, the persons responsible for his care may come to the local welfare office and acquaint the Department with his situation. A field worker will then call, as soon as possible, at the home to take the application.

Offices in this area are located at: Rising Star, City Hall, 1st and 3rd Monday, 10 a.m. to 12; Cisco, City Hall, 2nd Tuesday, 10 a.m. to 12, the 4th Tuesday, 9 a.m. to 12; Ranger, City Hall, 2nd and 4th Wednesday, 10 a.m. to 12; and Eastland, County Courthouse, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Humble Program to Show "Jackass Mail"

The colorful cry of the mule skinner will ring out again in Texas the week beginning July 22 when "Texas in Review", Humble Oil & Refining Company's weekly television program, visits San Antonio to see a stagecoach hit the trail to California to mark the 100th anniversary of the fabled "Jackass Mail."

Another "mail carrier," football-style, also steps into the Humble spotlight. He is "Jarring John" Kimbrough, two-time All-American who once led the Texas Aggies to the national championship. Now a scientific farmer at Haskell, Kimbrough tells his own story—the first in a series showing the present day life of Texas' sports heroes of the past.

Sports enthusiasts will also enjoy films of the 1957 State Bass tournament which drew anglers from all sections of Texas. Con-

Farm Prices Drop But Taxes Increase For Tenth Year

COLLEGE STATION. — Farm and ranch taxes in Texas have risen for 10 consecutive years and agricultural prices have declined for four consecutive years, almost doubling the tax load of Texas farmers and ranchmen during the 5-year period.

L. P. Gabbard of the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station and Tommy W. Smith of the Agricultural Research Service, USDA, who made the survey said that the average tax per acre on farm and ranch real estate in Texas last year was 31.8 cents, an increase of .8 cent, or 2.6 percent over 1955.

It is the highest average tax per acre yet reached for the state, they pointed out.

While the average tax increased 2.6 percent for the state, it declined as much as 17.1 percent in some sections of the Rolling Plains, and increased as much as 22.4 percent in the Corpus Christi cotton producing area.

The distribution of farm real estate taxes to the various types of governmental units remains practically unchanged as public schools, including junior colleges,

test rules were two-man teams to each boat, artificial lures only and no trolling.

Another fine feature will be a visit to scenic Daingerfield State Park, a playground for fun and recreation just a short drive from Texarkana, Longview, Marshall and Tyler. Most popular spot is an 80-acre lake abundantly stocked with bass, crappie and white perch—and with a splendid beach for swimming.

received 56.7 percent of the total.

Farm personal property tax declined slightly, probably because of declining prices for agricultural commodities and prolonged drought.

Areas in which the average tax per acre decreased are, for the most part, devoted to grazing. This may reflect the economic stress on ranchmen because of falling cattle prices and drought conditions.

Taxes have risen in Texas generally because of rising costs of local government. Property taxes are the main source of local government revenue, the economists concluded. Therefore, no relief is in sight for farmers and ranchmen, at least so long as property taxes are the primary source of support of local government.

Boyd Family in Cisco Reunion July 6-7

The reunion of the Boyd family was held on July 6th and 7th at Lake Cisco Courts.

Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Weaver Boyd, Mr. and Mrs. Larry Loetz and sons of El Paso, Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Wright and two children of Andrews, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Boyd, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Grisham, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Boyd of Crane, Mr. and Mrs. Taylor Boyd of Dallas, Mr. and Mrs. George Boyd of Monument, New Mexico, and their son, George, Jr., of Seminole, L. L. Bowman, Mr. and Mrs. Evon Ware and two boys, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Willett, Mr.

and Mrs. Leonard Boyd and three children of Abilene, Mrs. Willie Hughes, and her son, Boyd Hughes and wife, Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Lewis and family, and Mr. and Mrs. James Wolf and family.

LOCAL ITEMS

Walter Perry, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jess Perry, has completed his college work at Howard Payne College and is now a candidate for a degree from that institution. He majored in Business Administration.

Mrs. Lorene Williams is visiting her daughter and family in Hamlin. Her daughter is Mrs. Aaron Wells, who has three children.

Mr. and Mrs. Boyd Hughes and son of Houston spent the Fourth of July holidays with his mother, Mrs. Willie Hughes, and with his sisters, Mrs. L. L. Lewis and Mrs. James Wolf.

Rev. and Mrs. Ray Ellis, who are moving to Abilene where he is a teacher in Hardin-Simmons University, visited Mr. and Mrs. M. G. Joyce and other friends in Rising Star Thursday. Mrs. Ray Ellis is remembered here, as Neileta Greer, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. R. Neal Greer.

Mrs. Bertha May Dunlap, the former Bertha May Zellars, and daughters are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Walter Hill and her son, "Dinky" and other relatives here.

Mr. "Toad" Baucum, accompanied by Rev. Lonnie Baker,

both of Cross Cut, attended revival services at the First Baptist Church Thursday night.

Mrs. John Vermillion, who lives in Rising Star, but who teaches

in O'Donnell, has attended Howard Payne College the first term of the summer session.

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