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## Through the Editor's Specs

BY BAB

Farmer to Mrs. Clifford Watkins Monday morning: "I'm not complaining about all this rain, but I sure wish somebody would."

Next week is graduation week, and thereby hangs an idea. There is a wonderful opportunity for somebody to start an ear-ring industry in these parts. The shortage of this implement of womanly adornment is downright alarming. The daughter hasn't received but about 20 pairs, and I don't suppose any of the other girl graduates has received quite enough to have a pair a day for a month or two. And only this morning—Tuesday, that is—comes a chain letter through the mail suggesting that the daughter mail a pair of ear-rings to a name on the top of a list and send copies to several others. Shortly, she's promised, this bread upon the waters will come back to her in the shape of 36 pairs of ear-rings.

Now who's going to supply all these ear-rings, I'd like to know? Not only the rings themselves but the designs involved present a wonderful opportunity for some local capitalist or association thereof, to start a factory that will give employment to our people. It's a safe bet, because no matter how many are bought or given, there just isn't enough ear-rings to go around. It's a mysterious but indubitable fact that they disappear. Where or how you can do your own guessing. They just do, that's all.

All kidding aside, they're pretty. I've never seen so many and so varied and lovely designs. Don't be surprised if some day they start designing them for men to go along with tie clasps, cuff links and watch bands.

There's an idea there. Attention, Bill Tyler, chairman of the industrial committee of the Chamber of Commerce.

The Rising Star Roping Club is planning another big parade when the club opens its rodeo season May 31. The club deserves the full cooperation of the community in its efforts to provide this summer entertainment for this area. The rodeo, the only regular weekly event of its character in these parts, has brought Rising Star a great deal of advertisement and commendation from abroad. It draws top flight performers and it brings lots of people to this community every week during the summer.

Congratulations to the Club for its fine contribution to the social life and entertainment of this section.

## Pat Agnew Wins at Haskell Pony Show

Pat Agnew, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Agnew, won the grand championship of the mare division of the Shetland pony show at Haskell last week-end with his mare, "Cutie."

"Cutie" took first in mares foaled in 1956 and went on to win the grand championship of the mare division for which Pat was awarded a silver tray as trophy. Pat also took second and fifth places in other divisions of the show in which he had entries.

Mart Agnew, of Cisco, a cousin of Pat, won grand championship of the stallion division for which he also received a silver tray.

## Nimrod Homecoming To Be Held Sunday

The annual homecoming of the Nimrod Cemetery Association will be held at the Nimrod Baptist Church next Sunday, May 19, it was announced this week.

There will be preaching in the morning, a basket lunch will be spread at noon and immediately after lunch there will be a business meeting followed by singing and good fellowship for all.

Contributions for the upkeep of the cemetery may be brought or sent to Mrs. H. H. Harrelson, 1500 Ave. L, Cisco, Texas, secretary-treasurer of the association.

## Half Million Approved For Phone System

The Kizer Telephone Company this week received notice from Washington, D. C., that its application for a loan of more than one-half million dollars to re-finance its improvement program and provide for the expansion of its service to areas not now reached, had been approved.

The approval represents one of the most important steps in the program of modernizing and expanding its service, which in two years had brought the system from an out-moded ringer type service to an automatic dial system as modern as any to be found anywhere, said E. O. Kizer, president of the company.

"We are now able to extend our lines to take care of rural areas which have been clamoring for service but, due to the lack of financing, could not be served, and to bring about other possible additions and improvements," said Mr. Kizer.

"Some of the plans we have in mind for improving the system depend upon the wishes of the people, but we are hopeful that our patrons and communities will show the same progressive spirit which made it possible for us to install automatic dial service, and enable us to go ahead with the complete integration of the Kizer system. Our big goal is to make it possible for every subscriber on our lines to dial any other subscriber without tolls. This can be done by combining the Rising Star and Cross Plains exchanges into one exchange. It will require a small increase in rates to offset the loss of tolls which will be incurred, but we feel that once the people of our communities experience the convenience and economy of being able to call twice as many subscribers without toll cost as they now can, they will be happy with the progressive step.

"The increase in rates will be small, but the service will be immeasurably improved. We have attempted to explain the program in an advertisement in this issue of the Record, to which we refer readers of the Record.

"In the past two years tremendous steps have been made in improving the telephone service to our people. We are anxious to make that service even better. With your cooperation we can do so."

Further announcements of company plans with regard to the improvement of the system will be made from time to time as they develop, Mr. Kizer said.

## Mother of Mrs. Charles Rutherford Succumbs

Funeral services for Mrs. Corrie Z. Gregg, 69, of Cross Plains, who died Friday May 10 at 3 a. m. after an illness of two years, were held at the First Baptist Church at Cross Plains at 2 p. m. Saturday with burial in Cross Plains cemetery. Mrs. Gregg was the mother of Mrs. Charles Rutherford of this city.

Besides Mrs. Rutherford she is survived by her husband, C. M. Gregg, Cross Plains; three sons, Eldon and Dillard of Cross Plains and S. M. Jr., of Houston; seven grandchildren; a brother, Ole Bobo of Marietta, O. and a sister, Mrs. J. D. Kilpatrick of Bowie.

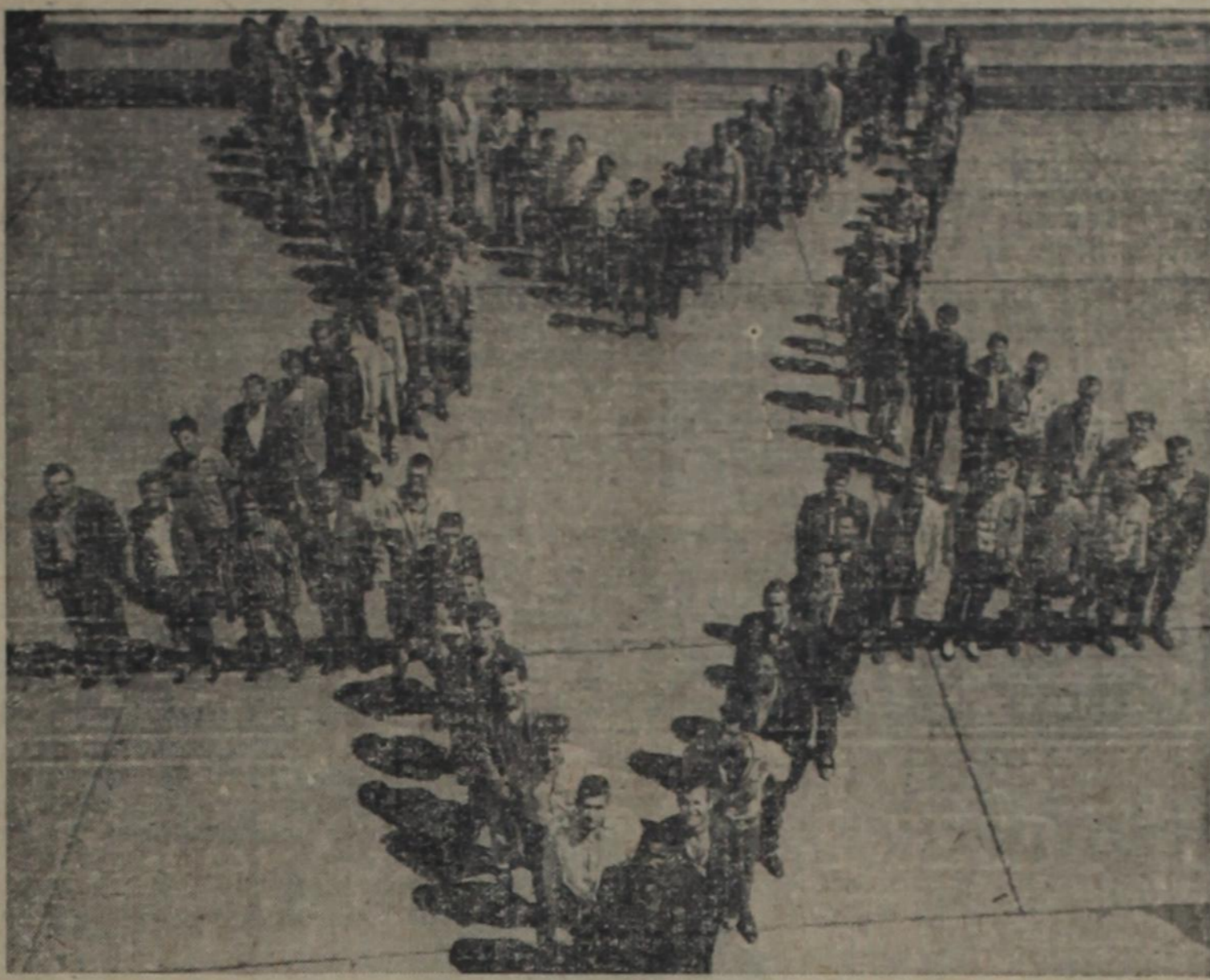
She was a member of the First Baptist Church and of the Eastern Star.

Mr. and Mrs. Gregg formerly lived at Cross Plains but had been away for about 20 years while Mr. Gregg was employed in the oil industry. He retired two years ago. Mrs. Gregg became ill and a year ago they returned to Cross Plains to make their home.

## Social Security Man Here May 21

The Social Security field man will be at the Rising Star City Hall at 10 a. m. on Tuesday, May 21 and Tuesday, June 18, to interview persons with Social Security questions or claims.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Westerman and son, John, of Modesto, Calif., are here for a vacation.



TEXAS STARS . . . A special all-Texas Navy recruit company forms the Lone Star on their arrival at Great Lakes Naval Training Center where they will undergo nine weeks of intensive training. The Texans will pay tribute to their state during Texas week, July 1-7, at the Great Lakes Navy Homecoming.

## Baccalaureate Services Here Sunday Evening

### Scout Summer Camp Season to Begin June 3rd

Boy Scouts and Explorers throughout the eight-county Comanche Trail Council will camp at Camp Billy Gibbons this summer.

Camp Billy Gibbons will begin its 26th season June 3 and continue for three weeks, closing June 23. The permanent camp is on Brady Creek in San Saba county, 14 miles south of Richland Springs. Scouts and Explorers will camp under the direction of their Scoutmasters and Advisors on a Troop and Post Basis. Each camping period will accommodate about 200 campers.

The Camp Staff is composed of O. E. Winebrenner, T. J. Pinto, Leon Smith, C. C. Mitcham, Richmond Wilkins, Jan Wall, Ernest Davis, Bryan Healer, Charles Hammonds, Allan Pritchard, Berwyn Brice, and James Smith of Brownwood; James Raney of Breckenridge; Gary Straley of Goldthwaite; and Russell Burwell of Stephenville. Troy L. Boone, Eastland and Vall A. Hinkle, Goldthwaite, District Scout Executives and Joe A. Galbraith, Brownwood, Scout Executive will share in the direction of the camp. Scoutmasters whose Troops are in camp are also on the staff.

The program includes swimming, life saving, canoeing, boating, fishing, hiking, horseback riding, marksmanship, archery, Indian Lore, Scout crafts, nature and campfire activities. Each period begins with the noon meal on Monday and closes following the noon meal and court of honor on Sunday.

"We expect to have a capacity camp each period. Reservations are being made through Scoutmasters at the Scout Office and we are counting on another wonderful season of camping for the boys," according to Lowell Pouncey of Brownwood, Camping and Activities Chairman.

### Local FFA National Award Winners

Members of the Rising Star FFA Chapter chosen for special awards sponsored by the National FFA Foundation, were announced and awarded National FFA Foundation medals at a meeting of the Chapter on May 6.

They are Delwin Caudle, Star Farmer of the Chapter; Public Speaking, Jerry Don Aaron; Farm Safety, Frank Weise; and Farm Electrification, Wesley Walker.

The boys were chosen under rules laid down by the local chapter.

Supplies at the Record

The Commencement program of Rising Star High School will begin with the baccalaureate services Sunday evening at the First Baptist Church when Minister Harry A. Tansil will preach the sermon for the 21 members of the graduating class. The services will begin at 8 o'clock.

The Rev. Ed Jackson, pastor of the First Baptist Church, will give the invocation and the Rev. R. A. Brooks, Jr., pastor of the First Methodist Church, will pronounce the benediction.

La Veda Boggs, pianist, will play the professional and the recessional for the class and there will be a song by the Junior Girls Chorus of the school.

Supt. Sam Jones will make the announcements.

The graduation exercises will take place in the High School gym-auditorium at 8 o'clock Friday evening, May 24. It will be an all-students program, and the graduates will receive their diplomas from Principal Ray Nunnally. Special awards will be made by Supt. Sam Jones.

Wanda Smith, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Smith, will make the valedictory address, and Sandra Bradley, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Ben Bradley, will give the salutatory address.

Jerry Davis will give the invocation, there will be a song by the Junior Girls' Chorus, and professional and recessional music will be played by La Veda Boggs.

Graduates.

Members of the class to receive diplomas are Sandra Bradley, Verita Butler, J. C. Butler, Eldon Carter, Jerry Davis, Scotty Elliott, Bobbie Erwin, Glenda Gibbard, Martha Haynes, Mary Haynes, Patsy Holtz, Bobby Hubbard, Jack Kaltenbaugh, Rhea Erwin Maynard, Mary Perkins, Fred Pringle, Jack Shults, Wanda Smith, Howard Walker, Glen Welborn and Glenda Witt.

Graduation exercises for the Ward School will be held Thursday, May 23, at 8 p. m. at the gym. A class of 28 graduates who will enter Freshmen class at High School next fall, will receive their certificates of graduation from Prin. Ivan Sherrill.

Gary Jones, son of Mr. and Mrs. Mearlyn Jones, and Eddie Bradley, son of Dr. and Mrs. Ben Bradley, are honor graduates of the class.

Pauline Ramsey, dental assistant to Dr. J. O. Jolly, of Eastland, and Mrs. Virginia Whitehead, dental assistant to Dr. Paul Woods of Cisco, attended the 17th annual meeting of the Dental Assistants Association held in the Texas State Hotel at Houston April 27 to May 1.

### Bill Crawford With Reed Implement Co.

Bill Crawford, mechanic with the Butler Chevrolet Company in Rising Star, is now in charge of the shop at the Reed Implement Company, J. I. Case dealers, in Rising Star.

### Thirteen Members Of May Senior Class Graduated

Thirteen members of the May High School graduating class received their diplomas in graduation exercises at the High School auditorium at 8 o'clock, Thursday, May 16.

Speaker for the program was the Rev. Leland Mables of Dallas, a graduate of Howard Payne College now attending Southwestern Theological Seminary at Fort Worth.

Honor graduates are Nelda Murphy, daughter of Mrs. Ed Murphy, who has a four-year average of 93.64, and who delivered the valedictory, and Geraldine King, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. V. O. King, with a four-year average of 93.16 who delivered the salutatory. Patsy Fleming, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Callie Fleming, pressed the two top honor students closely with an average of 93.09.

The baccalaureate service was held in the auditorium of the May High School Sunday evening, May 12, with the Rev. Billy Ingram, a former pastor of the First Baptist Church at May, preaching.

Members of the graduating class are:

Nelda Murphy, Geraldine King, Patsy Fleming, Barbara Snodgrass, Marie Hurst, Dorothy Smith, Dwan Eoff, Don Lee, Bobby Fortune, Bobby Childress, Buddy Brewer, Roy Gale Armstrong, and Clovis McCary.

### Dairy Judging Team Scores High at Meet

The Rising Star FFA Dairy Judging Team, composed of Roland Earp, Don Long, and Frank Weise, tied with the Pasadena, Texas, team for 26th place in a field of 83 teams in the State FFA Dairy Judging Contest at College Station Saturday, May 4. So close was the competition that only 64 points separated 26th place from first place, Rising Star and Pasadena teams scoring 1021 points to 1085 for Hallettsville, which won first place.

En route to College Station the Rising Star team, accompanied by H. L. Geyer, instructor, stopped at the Heart of Texas Dairy Show at Waco and placed second among 25 teams competing in that show.

At College Station the group visited Phil Horton and Roy Don Heikman, Rising Star boys who are students at A&M. They also enjoyed the collegiate rodeo while at the college.

James Rue Jenkins of Monahans visited his mother, Mrs. J. H. Jenkins of Rising Star, over the week end and through Mother's Day.

## Over 13 Inches Rain Recorded

Rainfall in Rising Star, as recorded by the official city gauge, totaled 2.25 inches from Sunday at 8 a. m. to Monday at 8 a. m., bringing to 13.33 inches the amount of rainfall received here since April 1.

The total for the year, Mayor Walter Smith reported, was 15.61 inches.

In contrast to the destructive and often-tragic storms and floods which afflicted other sections of the state, this area received the bountiful moisture in an almost ideal manner. There was little damage from winds and a minimum of washing. The rains fell in such a manner that the soil received the fullest benefit, soaking up the moisture and giving farmers the best crop prospects that they have had in seven or eight years.

The only wind damage of any consequence was reported from three miles south of Pioneer where a "baby" tornado late Sunday afternoon unroofed a warehouse on a lease belonging to E. M. Howard and did damage to the residence of Elzie Buzbee. Quick action on the part of members of the family in throwing open doors of the house when the storm struck minimized damage, confining it to broken window panes, the Record was told.

Otherwise this section had much to be thankful for in the absence of damage and the beneficial manner in which the rains fell.

For the first time since 1942 Lake Phil-Pe-Co at Pioneer was full and the spillway running.

C. E. Smith, C. M. Cox, Doss Alexander and other fruit growers reported the best fruit prospects they have had in many years. There was some instances in which young fruit was shaken from the trees, but the result was held to be beneficial in that the trees were overloaded and needed thinning anyway.

Big Fruit Crop.

Mr. Cox, who at first thought his entire crop had been destroyed by early Spring cold waves, said that only the first two trees he had examined had been affected, and that the remainder of his orchard was loaded.

The biggest grain crop in the history of this section, so the Record was informed, awaited harvesting. Clear skies and bright sunshine following the week-end rains, cheered growers with the prospect that the fields would ripen without damage and the maximum crop harvested.

Stock water was plentiful, most tanks being filled for the first time in years, and running around. Given a few days of fair weather this section should see the greatest activity in farm operations that it has been privileged to see since the beginning of the drought—now believed definitely broken—as farmers go into their fields in a hurry to get them prepared for peanuts and other planting.

Merchants reported a definite stimulus in trading during the week-end and since as a result of the improved farm outlook.

"The future definitely looks better," said W. E. (Bill) Tyler, president of the First State Bank. His opinion was shared by merchants and farmers generally.

### Sixth District TV Program Friday

The Sixth District Texas Federation of Women's Clubs will present "The Ancient Beautiful Things," on KRBC-TV, Abilene, Friday, May 17th at 3:30 p. m. on the Bunny Rivera Show.

Mrs. Monty McGinty, speech teacher, and Charlotte Shannon, Freshman speech pupil, will be the readers. Dr. Tierbaugh music instructor, will have charge of the background music.

All members of the cast are from ACC.

Theme of the program will be that "Slower living brings a compensation in a greater appreciation of the little things of life, including more abundant living at home."

All club members and friends were urged to watch the program.

Mr. and Mrs. "Buster" Rixford visited his sister, Mrs. D. L. Flint, in Electra recently.

## Next Dairy Meet To Be Held at Ranger June 25

A. M. Meekma, Dairy Specialist of the A&M College Extension Service, discussed "Herd Management and Feeding" at a meeting of 30 dairymen and visitors at the courthouse on Wednesday night according to D. J. West, Morton Valley dairyman and reporter of the Eastland County Dairy Association, sponsors of the meeting.

A. F. Beck, another Morton Valley dairyman and president of the association, presided. Beck introduced County Agent J. M. Cooper who called on Miss Charlene Eckert, Assistant County Home Demonstration Agent, who presented Miss Patsy Fox, Olden, and Miss Jean Berry, Pleasant Hill, members of the 4-H Club Dairy Food Demonstration team who gave a demonstration on making Mocha punch.

Cooper also introduced two members of the County 4-H Dairy Judging team, David Stuart, Scranton and Wannie Kanady, Nimrod. The dairy judging team will compete for state honors at A&M in June it was said.

Meekma stressed looking at the tag on the feed that dairymen use and paying attention especially to the fiber content of the feed.

At a business meeting of the association following the program, it was agreed that the next meeting would be in Ranger at the Community club house on June 25th at which time Dr. C. M. Patterson, A&M College Extension Service veterinarian, will discuss the new state law on Brucellosis. Dairymen from a wide area will be invited to hear Dr. Patterson.

## Band Concert Is Postponed to Friday Night

Postponement of the Spring concert of the Rising Star High School Band from the originally announced date of Tuesday, May 14, to Friday evening, May 17, was announced Monday by the director, Miss Peggy Tate.

The concert will be given at the City Market building on South Main Street.

### D. E. Bradley Breaks Hip in Fall at Home

D. E. Bradley will be returned from Hendricks Memorial Hospital at Abilene Thursday where he underwent surgery for the fracture of his right hip. He fell at his home Thursday of last week and fractured his right hip. His son, Dr. Ben Bradley, gave him first aid treatment and then took him to an Abilene specialist for surgery. His condition was reported to be very good. He was expected to be walking again in a few months.

### Mearlyn Jones Is Firemen President

Rising Star Volunteer Fire Department elected Mearlyn Jones president at a meeting at the City Hall last week after a chili supper at the Elite Cafe. Harvey Chick was elected chief.

Other officers of the 23-member department are Elgie Criswell, vice president; W. H. Button, assistant chief; Walter Smith, retary-treasurer, and M. J. Dyer and Pete Starks, captains.

### DUE HERE FROM BRAZIL

Due to arrive in Fort Worth Saturday are Mr. and Mrs. Harold E. Gracey and son of Sao Paulo, Brazil on a 30-day vacation. They will come to Rising Star shortly afterward.

an indefinite time with his wife's mother, Mrs. Beunty, before visiting other relatives in the State.

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The world's mightiest law makers—the United States Congressmen and Senators—sit down each year to make laws.

But mighty though Congress is, the constitution won't give it certain powers:

1. Neither Congress nor anybody else can suspend the writ of habeas corpus (unless the public safety demands it during rebellion or invasion). All officers or others must obey a court and bring in anyone in their custody to see whether he is held lawfully.

2. Congress cannot pass "bills of attainder", special acts to punish someone. Congress cannot by-pass the courts.

3. Congress cannot pass an ex post facto law—a law which makes an act a crime which was not one when done, or which punishes the offender more than called for when done.

4. Congress cannot tax exports from any state nor by regulation favor one state's ports over another's, nor make one state's vessels clear or pay duties to another state in order to enter.

Besides these denials from within, the constitution curbs Congress and the executive and judiciary in the amendments, especially the first ten.

Among other things, Congress cannot make a law respecting an establishment of religion or prohibiting its free exercise, or abridging the freedom of speech, of the press or the right of the people peaceably to assemble and to petition the government for a redress of grievances.

The constitution also curbs the courts (for example, they cannot deny a person a fair hearing duly represented by counsel). It curbs the executive (he cannot, for example, take private property for public use without just compensation).

The constitution, which divides the work of the three branches of government, winds up by telling where the rest of the power rest—just in case anybody gets any fancy ideas of dictatorship. There are things no state can do, for instance, "make or enforce any law which shall abridge the privileges or immunities of citizens of the United States."

If there are any powers not given to the United States government or reserved to the states, they belong to the people. The constitution does not seem to limit the people.

(This column, prepared by the State Bar of Texas, is written to inform—not to advise. No person should ever apply or interpret any law without the aid of an attorney who is fully advised concerning the facts involved, because a slight variance in facts may change the application of the law.)

### May Cemetery Ass'n To Meet Sunday

The May Cemetery Association will meet at the May High School auditorium at 11 o'clock on Sunday, May 19, it was announced this week. There will be a sermon and at noon a community lunch will be served. The afternoon will be devoted to gospel singing. The public is invited.

### ELECTED TO ASS'N.

Charles A. Watson of Rising Star has been elected to membership in the American Angus Association of St. Joseph, Missouri, announces Frank Richards, secretary. Mr. Watson is one of 16 purebred Aberdeen-Angus breeders in Texas elected to membership during the past month.

Kenneth Joyce, son of Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Joyce of Fort Worth and formerly of Rising Star, will receive a Bachelor of Science degree from Sul Ross State College in college commencement exercises at Alpine Sunday, May 19, the college announced. The Senior class returned late

Saturday from V-Bar ranch near Junction. They reported a wonderful trip.

### Tom Hudnall Victim Of Car Collision

Funeral services for Thomas W. Hudnall, about 52, former resident of Rising Star, who was killed in a two-car collision near Houston Friday, were held at Sweeney, Texas, his home Monday at 10 a.m. Mrs. Hudnall, the former Miss Lynne McCollum of Rising Star, was seriously injured.

Other survivors are two small daughters, Karene and Sarah Delpha; a brother, E. T., of Rising Star; a sister of Morenci, Ariz., and two aunts, Mrs. Tommy Cox of this city and Mrs. Beulah Speer of Eastland.

He was a member of the Church of Christ.

Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Maynard visited their daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hubbard, and were entertained in the Hubbard's new home in Eldorado, Texas.

Jack Gibson of Fort Worth spent Sunday night with his father, M. D. Gibson.

### Ranger National Guard Armory to Be Dedicated Sat.

Capt. Cecil Carr of Rising Star, commander of the Ranger unit of the Texas National Guard, this week invited people of this area to attend the dedication program at Ranger next Saturday in which the National Guard will formally dedicate its new \$80,000 armory.

The dedicatory program will include a big parade, a dedicatory address by General Albert Sidney Johnson, commander of the 49th Division of which the Ranger battery is a unit, and who will be introduced by Gen. Clayton P. Kerr, artillery commander of the division, and a turkey barbecue after the program.

The Cisco and Breckenridge batteries of the battalion will march in the parade, which will be reviewed by Generals Johnson and Kerr and other high brass of the division and National Guard. There will also be

many other floats and colorful entries.

Tickets for the barbecue, which is expected to attract several hundred people, are on sale at \$1 each, the proceeds to be used to equip the battery recreation room in the magnificent new building. The tickets may be obtained from Capt. Kerr or at the building at Ranger.

Appearing also in the parade will be lovely Miss Jeannie Pittman of Eastland, battery and battalion queen who is a candidate for division queen.

Ranger Chamber of Commerce and all the commercial and civic organizations of the community are cooperating to the fullest extent in making the dedicatory program a great success, said Capt. Carr. The captain, who has been commander of the Ranger unit since 1953, is the only member of the battery living in this area.

He is a veteran of National Guard and regular army service, having joined the 36th division of the National Guard at Houston in 1932, with which he was federalized in 1940 and commissioned in 1942 at the Fort Belvoir Engineers School in Virginia in 1942. He remained on active duty until 1949 when he went into the reserves and moved to Rising Star. He served in the reserves until 1953 when he became commander of the Ranger unit.

Possibility that the 49th division band would participate was seen. The colorful Eastland County Sheriff's Posse will also ride in the parade. There will be door prizes at the barbecue.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Elliott of Borger visited his mother, Mrs. B. G. Elliott here, and her mother, Mrs. A. D. Carroll, who is seriously ill, in Eastland.

Mr and Mrs. Charley Carroll spent Mother's Day with their daughter, Mrs. M. B. De Loach, at Cedar Hills.

Mr. and Mrs. Nugent Cox, of Johnson City, visited his uncle, A. N. Snearly, and his cousin, Mrs. Mark Clark Sunday. Mr. H. S. Snearly, a brother of A. N. Snearly, was here from Brady. He was accompanied by his niece, Mrs. Paul Johnson.

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CONSERVATION STRICT NEWS



★ OUR STRENGTH

Probably three good... Clear Creek did not... flooding conditions that... the past. Namely three... completed flood water... structures.

flood damage. This was true of the upper reaches of East Clear Creek. Fences washed out, farm land inundated and livestock endangered.

Landowner L. D. Wells who donated the land for the structure stated, "I've seen larger rains on the watershed, but it was large enough to wash out the water gaps on the upstream side of my place."

Saturday a tour was held to show the new structure functioning. In attendance at this tour were the three landowners immediately below the structure, Bill Thomas, J. E. Caldwell, and C. H. Moore.

damage to his crop. None of these landowners lost a single panel of fence, or received any crop or livestock damage.

Bill Thomas, who lives within a stone's throw of the structure, said, "I didn't hear the usual roar of the creek after this rain and went down to see why. Instead of the roaring torrent I usually find, I found a quiet peaceful stream well within its ill-defined banks. The water was almost clear, it did not have its usual silt load."

Now let's look at Clear Creek as a whole. A rain of three to four inches will usually put the creek on a fair sized rise. Three or four days later it has ceased running. With the eight flood retarding structures all functioning and retarding the excess flow of the major branches of Clear Creek, the minor branches will have a chance to be drained down before the flood pools of the structures are full.

inches in the small structure on L. D. Wells to a whopping 60 inches on the largest structure.

Then instead of the mad rush to the river, Clear Creek will be retarded and stream flow will be stretched into a month or more on the main stream.

The flood water retarding structures are only the mechanical part of the upstream flood prevention program.

Back in the planning days, the Clear Creek Watershed Association was formed. The Association made up of landowners in the watershed agreed to furnish land without cost to the Brown-Mills Soil Conservation District.

The landowners in past and over a period of time will spend more than the cost of the structure applying conservation measures above each structure to assure long life of the structure.

ried out by members of the Association, major floods would still be a problem. The structures are a means of the Federal Government doing things that the farmers cannot do for themselves.

The supervisors of the District and officers of the Clear Creek Association urge everyone to see first hand the operation of these structures—the completed ones as well as the one under construction on the Garner McClatchey farm near Salt Branch.

Grassed Waterways—The waterway is the most important part of a terrace system because if it fails, terraces will break and gullies will form.

During heavy rains more water falls on nearly all cropland than can be held by the best crop rotations, contour farming, strip cropping, or terraces.

some farms there is no natural depression that can be used, and a waterway must be constructed in some other place.

Carrying extra water away safely is not the only way a grass waterway can be used. If carefully made and managed, these waterways will more than pay their way in added income.

Choose a grass that is suited to the soil and climate. High quality, live seed is a necessity. Use two or three times more seed than ordinarily used for pasture plantings.

If a waterway is needed to complete your water disposal system, the supervisors of the Brown-Mills Soil Conservation District urge you to contact your local ASC officer for cost share payment and prior approval.

Notaries Must File New Oath for Re-Appointment

Secretary of State Zollie Steakley has announced that he will reappoint persons now holding notary public commissions but that such persons must re-qualify by the filing of a new oath and bond with the County Clerk of his residence between June 1, 1957 and June 10, 1957.

Steakley emphasized that notaries public should not send requests for reappointment or for commissions directly to the Secretary of State. The law specifically requires the County Clerks to approve notary bonds.

Any person not now a notary public who desires appointment should apply to his County Clerk between May 1, 1957 and May 20, 1957.

Secretary of State Steakley further pointed out that each person applying for a commission as a notary public must be at least 21 years of age and a resident of the county for which he is appointed.

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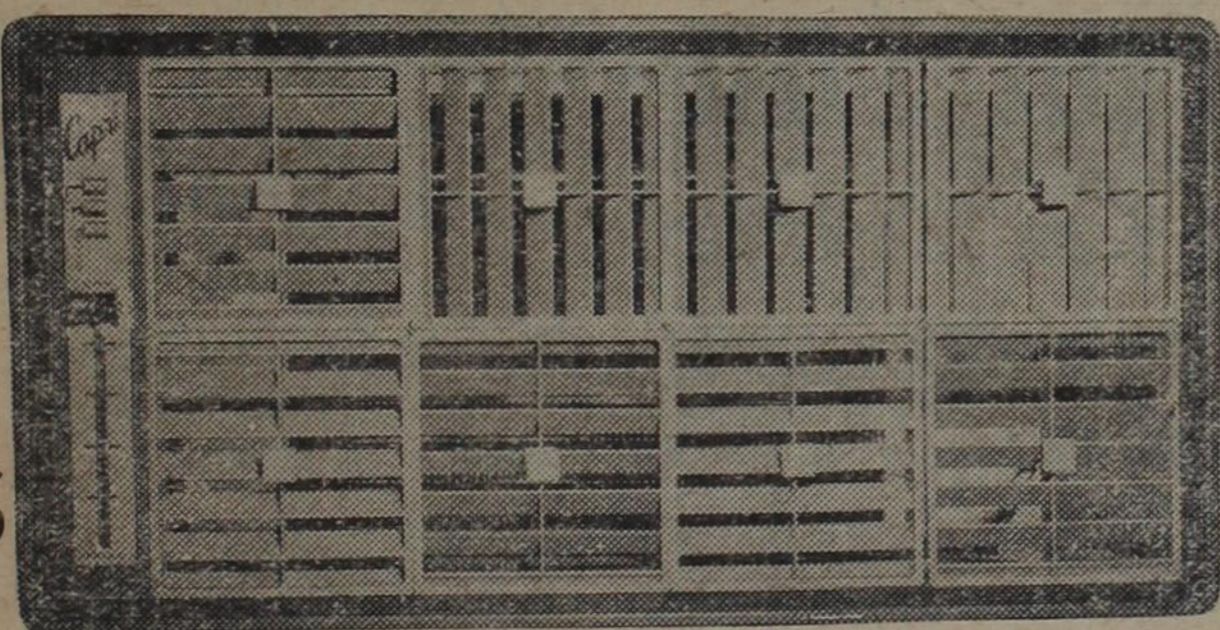
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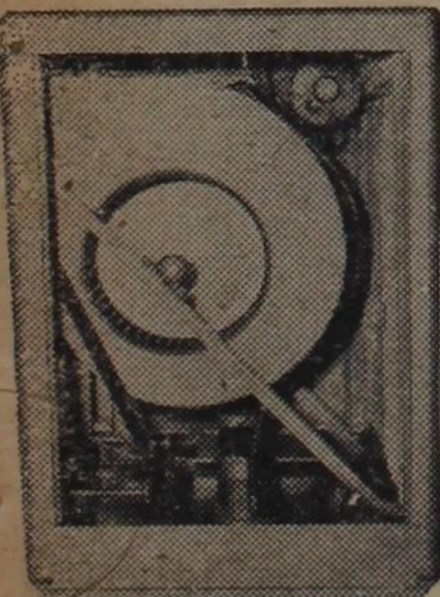
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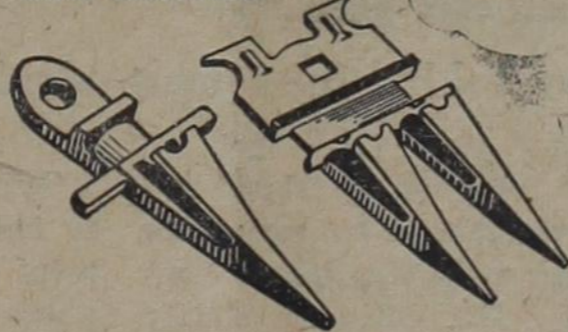
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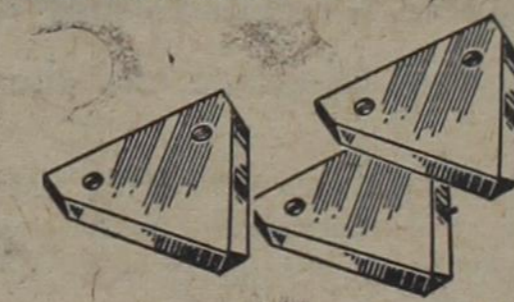
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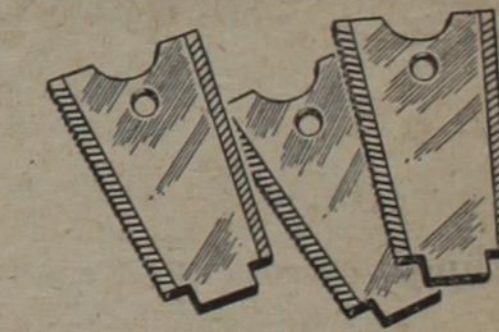
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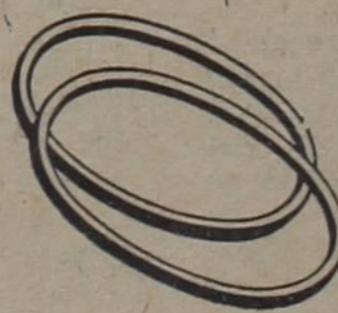
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SPRING
'Spring has sprung,' as the old saying goes, here at old RSHS.
The trees are in bloom, the birds are on wing, and the classes are being skipped.
The windows are up, especially in the science room, so Mr. White will be a real cool kitty.

The halls are full, and the classrooms are empty!
These are the symptoms and the diagnosis—but wait a while. Little is known about the disease, except it usually occurs in the Spring and always attacks in bunches; there is hardly an isolated case. The symptoms always follow the same pattern; fishing, sleeping, and general laziness. This disease has no special part of the country to attack. It is found almost any place you go. If you think you might have contracted this disease, don't be alarmed. In fact, if you think you don't have this disease (around about May 10) that is the time to start worrying! As you have probably guessed, the disease is Spring fever, and it has become as common (and as widely practiced) as baseball; so don't worry, it is just another wonderful part of growing up!

CLASS PROPHECY
Last week I was up very late trying to write my term theme. I wouldn't have had to bother with this if Mrs. Claborn had not given us the assignment. She knew very well I had to go to the show. I hadn't been in two whole days! However, she gave me no consideration whatsoever. As a result of this I fell asleep and dreamed up the class prophecy for the seniors of 1957.
First, I dreamed of Bobby Hubbard. For some strange reason I saw him as president of the Rising Star School Board. He says he will change it so that it will be completely different from the way it was in 1957!

As he faded out of the picture, I distinctly saw Glenda Witt as the Queen of Sheba with Leon Jones and Jackie Cooper as her humble servants.
Then, believe it or not, I saw Jack Shults as bald-headed man because Mr. White lost his temper once.
Next, I saw Sandra Bradley

in her early 50's as the world's most promising veterinarian. There's only one thing wrong—she must get out of medical school first.
Then, with my deepest regrets, I saw Fred Pringle crying his eyes out because of a broken love affair with Sandra Erwin. Some say he used twenty sheets to blow his nose!
And guess who took Mrs. Nowlin's place as Homemaking teacher at Rising Star High School after she retired—Wanda Smith. She's teaching her pupils how to take the biscuits out of the can and put them in the oven without getting burned.

My dream then switched down town. The mayor of Twinkle City is making a speech in Main Street. His features are blurred, but I can tell it's Eldon Carter. He's promising 'We'll get a factory here yet.'
The next thing that came into my dream was a beautiful, luxurious, mansion home and guess who was the mistress of it—Verita Butler. Some of her rich relatives died and left her a fortune.

I almost woke up when I saw Glen Welborn as a plastic surgeon trying to patch up people's faces who have been thrown through car windshields, perhaps his own.
Then sound asleep again, I saw as the wife of Pfc. Douglas MacArthur—General Mary Perkins. Her husband isn't as strong-minded as she.
Then believe it or not I saw Scotty Elliott still in high school trying to pass bookkeeping—maybe we'll get rid of him some day. Next, I saw a shack outside of Blanket. At once I recognized this happy little hut as Mary Haynes Wilson. She is constantly cleaning up the ashes from Rodney's cigars and complaining that he is always messing up the house after she cleans it up.

Quickly I recognized Howard Walker is retired as the result of Judy Alford. He says 'He's just bumming around.'
Then guess what I dreamed. I dreamed Bobbie Erwin was coach at Texas A&M. And guess what, she's still single.
Again my dream became dim but I could see Jack Kaltenbaugh as an undertaker down in Mexico. He wishes everybody was dead except himself and a certain Cross Plains girl. By the way boys, why don't you ask him about his lay away plan.
Next I saw Jerry Davis as a

movie star. He took Jerry Lewis' place—there's quite a resemblance.
Then I dreamed of Glenda Gibbard in her late twenties as an old maid still hoping to hook that Cross Plains boy.
J. C. Butler is drinking orange juice and staying in shape for the Olympics in Great Britain. Hoping to get in the heel-dust of Bobby Morrow some day.
My dream ended with Martha Haynes as a great opera singer in New York. They say some day she'll take the place of Judy Canova.

A MARDI GRAS FOR THE SENIORS
The night was dark and still when the Seniors and other guests were invited to come and see the Juniors' masterpiece—the Junior-Senior Banquet of 1956-'57. As they went in the door, they saw a huge, glittering, red mask staring them in the face. The mystery was too much for the Seniors so they went on in.

When they entered the banquet hall, they saw the wonderland of a New Orleans 'Mardi Gras'. Masks were given them by the usher, Jack Smith, to make the atmosphere even more carnival-like. The room was decorated in beautiful reds, blues, greens, whites, and yellows. Crepe paper covered the ceiling and the walls. Balloons of all colors were hung everywhere. Colored lights made the room dim which highlighted the 'Mardi Gras' program which was to follow.

The tables were arranged to accent the stage which was in the center of the room. A banner was hung above the stage which read: 'MARDI GRAS'. The entrance to the stage was full of different colored streamers.
The following is the menu which was served at the banquet:
The King's Choice
(Baked Ham)
Serpentine
(Green Beans)
Potatoes de New Orleans
(Creamed Potatoes)
Salad la Louisiana
(Gelatin Salad)
Le Pain La The'
(Hot Rolls) (Tea)
Queen's Delight
(Apple Pie)

The invocation was given by Mr. Ray Nunnally. The first floor show began at 7:30. The program was as follows:
'M'—'Merry Makers, Make Merry'—by Barbara Rush (Pat How-

ard)
'A'—'A Million Thanks'—by Dorothy Malone (Sandra Bradley)
'R'—'Rhythmic Harmony by Elvis Presley (Jerry Aaron), the Andrews Sisters (Jack Calloway, Jodie Wallace, and Robert Needham), and Patti Page (Nancy McKinnerney).

'D'—'Duet and Solo by the Court Jesters' by Betty and Rosemary Clooney (Mary Reed and Alice Roberts).
'I'—'In the Know' by Jane Wyman and Jerry Lewis (Martha Duggan and Jack Calloway).

Second Floor Show.
'G'—'Goal to Happiness'—by Betty Grable (Jane Key)
'R'—'Royal Coronation'—by Jane Powell (Bobbie Erwin)
'A'—'Around About Town with Perry'—by Perry Como (Charles Steel)
'S'—'Songs and Skits' by other Hollywood Stars (The School Song)
The sophomore girls served the banquet. They were—Tressie Chambers, Carolyn Hunt, Betty Jenkins, Nelda Lee, Essie Heairren, and Judy Alford.
Thus ended the Jr.-Sr. Banquet of 1956-'57.

SOPH SAYINGS
The Sophs really had an enjoyable class trip this year. We, as well as the freshmen and juniors, went to Lake Cisco Thursday afternoon where we swam, skated, played miniature golf, and ate our sack lunches.

Speaking for the entire Sophomore class, I would like to thank our room mothers and our loyal sponsor, Mrs. Shook, for taking us on the nice trip.
Well, a couple of more grinding weeks and our teachers (bless their hearts) will be free for the summer so that they may gain strength and energy to man their posts of service—come September!

All for this week.
Jack Smith
A beautiful orchid was presented to Mrs. M. L. Morrow, compliments of the Little Flower Shop, who was the oldest mother present at the First Baptist Church services Sunday morning. Dr. Nat Tracy made the presentation with a few appropriate words. His sermon, which followed, was an inspiring message on the theme, 'Discipline in the Home', appreciatively heard by a large audience.

Amity Club Ex All-Day Meeting And Crafts Dis

By Mrs. J. B. C.
An all day meeting of the Amity H. D. club was held at the school building with a covered dish luncheon and a varied assortment was on display.

Miss Fairrel Jones and Winnie Anderson made up for empty shortening by joining two cans with covering with a coat of a coat of brown shoe polish the plaster and then a oak varnish. They bear a resemblance to a log.
Mrs. Caudle and Jackson made straw braid hand bags. Stodghill a reed basket, Cora White a TV lamp, assembled by Mrs. Corinne Hopper. Mrs. A. D. Jones and Mrs. Eva West brought crochets. Mmes. Taylor, Sted 'onlookers' and general Smith and Teague were helpers.

Needless to say the day was enjoyed by all present.
The regular club meeting was called to order at 2 o'clock by the club president, Mrs. Ed Stodghill.

Reports were called for from the different committee. Mrs. J. B. Caudle was elected as a delegate to the State T.H.D.A. meeting to represent Amity at council.
Mrs. Jackson gave a very informative talk on Heart Disease. Recreation was conducted by Mrs. Cora White. Each member was asked to bring their baby picture. The pictures were numbered and a guessing game to identify the pictures, 'My, how some of us have changed.' Mrs. Ed Stodghill was the lucky winner of the prize, a lovely strand of beads. Mrs. Stodghill also drew the club gift.

Mrs. Wayne Teague was hostess for the afternoon and served bottled drinks and cookies.
Eleven members were present with one visitor, Mrs. Corinne Hopper.

The next meeting will be May 21.
Jean Ford has sent in her record book to attend state leadership lab again this year while Patricia Madison's record book has been sent in for state award.

Now! More and Better Telephone Service for You --- A Message to Present and Prospective Patrons of the Kizer Telephone Co.

This week we received the following telegram: "Loan Approved. \$545,000.00. Documents Being Forwarded. David A. Hamil, Rural Electrification Administration, Washington, D. C."

The meaning of that telegram and the story behind it—a most significant event in the history of telephone service to this area—are:

Three years ago the telephone system which served Rising Star and Cross Plains and their areas was a model system—OF FIFTY YEARS AGO! The old hand-ringer, magneto type equipment served very well in the horse and buggy days, but its efficiency was far, far too inadequate for modern demands. The community suffered for the lack of the swift, efficient service which it was impossible to give with the outmoded type of equipment then existing.

From the moment we took over the ownership and operation of the telephone systems in Rising Star and Cross Plains, the Kizer Telephone Company planned and worked to transform the old plant into the most modern and efficient system possible.

To do so meant junking almost the entire plant, and the investment of hundreds of thousands of dollars in new automatic dial equipment and the plant necessary to operate such equipment.

Believing firmly in the fact that a community stands or falls by its communication system, and vice versa, the Kizer Telephone Company went ahead with its ambitious and costly program. To do so required an increase in rates corresponding to the increase in service rendered. But the community, in a progressive, forward-looking spirit, went

along with the company, and granted the increased rates which, we are proud to say, are less than those required for similar improvements in many other communities.

The Kizer Telephone Company made a contract with the Stromberg-Carlson company to install an automatic dial system. As was necessary, the old lines and poles were replaced. An entirely new plant composed of automatic, electronic equipment by which subscribers could make their own local calls without operator assistance, was installed in the place of the old manually operated switchboards.

Every subscriber received a new dial telephone in the place of the old ringer. Two years ago service was cut over into the new and in an instant, telephone service in Rising Star and Cross Plains and their areas jumped half a century ahead. Not even the city of Dallas had a more modern telephone system than the community served by the Kizer Telephone system.

The wonderful efficiency of the new service demonstrated itself immediately, and customer satisfaction proved that the small increase in rates necessary to amortize the big investment required was more than worth the cost. No longer was it necessary to wait long periods until she could an-

operator to ring an overburdened operator and wait for sometimes an hour and make the desired connection. The customer simply dialed the desired number directly and made instant connection, and when the call was finished the connection was instantly and automatically broken simply by replacing the receiver.

The improved service resulted in the expected big increase in subscribers, and as each new connection was made the value of the service to each subscriber was increased because more and more people and businesses could be quickly contacted by telephone.

But the modernization of the system was only the first step in the program which the Kizer Telephone Company had in mind for increasing the service it wished to render to its area.

A second and equally important part of that program was to reach out and give efficient service to areas which had been denied telephone service under the old system. By doing so it would increase the "reach" of the social and commercial influence of the communities served and give vital communication means to families in rural areas and other communities which were either without service or handicapped by old-fashioned systems. But the financing available for such an expansion was limited.

It takes money—lots of money—to install the lines and equipment necessary to extend telephone service to outlying districts. The company was able to obtain financing for its modernization, but in order to increase the system, to carry service to the new areas and tie them into the Rising Star-Cross Plains community it was necessary to undertake a wholesale program of refinancing—in other words to borrow the money necessary to take up all previously incurred loans and provide sufficient funds for the extensions.

Fortunately, the REA, through its program of making possible extensions of modern services to rural areas, offered opportunity for such financing, and several months ago the Kizer Telephone Company began working upon a project to refinance and extend its system by application to the REA for the necessary loan.

The application required an extensive and complete survey of the company's operations, its proposed extensions and the opportunities for further development of its services. A competent firm of engineers was employed and a careful survey, evaluation and estimate was made.

This week, after months of work, the loan was approved and the way opened to give Rising Star and Cross Plains and outlying areas, the ultimate in modern telephone

service.
Whether or not the communities will take the fullest advantage of the opportunity offered, depends upon the will of the people. At any rate there will be an extension of service to rural areas not now served, all of which means that the individual telephone becomes more and more valuable to the subscriber because of the greater number of people who can be reached from his phone.

Funds are also available for tying both Cross Plains and Rising Star systems and all outlying areas served and to be served, into one compact and unified system, any subscriber of which may telephone any other subscriber without the payment of tolls as is now necessary when calls are made between the Cross Plains and Rising Star exchanges.

If this is done then every telephone subscriber in the two systems will have his toll-free service field doubled. He can then dial any phone in the entire district without calling the operator or paying a toll.

To do this will require a small increase in the subscriber rate, but it will more than offset any cost increase by the increase in toll-free service possible.

The two systems will not be integrated unless both communities wish it, but the value of the enlarged service cannot be

over-estimated.
If done, it must be done while the money is available. It must be done now! If approved, it will make it possible for your telephone company to give the two communities the ultimate in modern telephonic communication service, and it will mean extending the commercial, social and cultural influence of our communities to the widest possible range.

Think what a convenience, what a wonderful thing it will be just to be able to pick up your telephone receiver and dial, toll-free, any other subscriber—business man, hospital, doctor, lawyer, minister, friend or relative with a telephone in the Kizer system, to get that connection instantly and talk as long as you wish without paying tolls!

That is the goal of the Kizer system in this program, to give you the best, widest and most economical telephone service possible. If you want that kind of service, it is ready for you!

For your information, the improvements made and planned by the Kizer system require an investment of more than half a million dollars! We are willing to assume that investment because we have faith in our people and in the future of this community!

Sincerely,
E. O. and Ralph Kizer

A Community Is No Bigger Than The People It Can Reach Or Serve

**Mother-Daughter Banquet Planned**

Final plans are now completed for the Mother-Daughter banquet, to be held in fellowship hall at the Baptist Church on Tuesday, May 14; during G. A.'s week. Mrs. James Flamme of Eastland will be banquet hostess.

**Mrs. Jones Hostess To WMU Circle May 6**

Monday, May 6, the Maybelle Taylor Circle of the First Baptist WMU met in the home of Mrs. J. D. W. Jones, with seven members present. Those giving parts on the program were Mmes. Walker Respass, H. L. Geye, Fred Roberds, Bedford Morris and Charles Watson. The hostess, Mrs. Jones, served refreshments.

Visitors of Mrs. Ethel Barnes for Mother's Day were her children, Mr. and Mrs. Billy Barnes and son, Reginald, of San Angelo, and Mary Nell Barnes of Dallas.

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**Saturday Club to Hold Final Meeting Of Year May 15th**

On May 15, the Saturday club will observe Social Day which will be the final meeting of the year. A covered dish luncheon at the library at 12:30 p.m. will be enjoyed by all members. Roll call response will be spicy notes. The program will be:

President's Message—Mrs. Barney Cargile.  
Assembly Singing—"Blest Be the Tie."

"Friendship has a power to soothe affliction in her darkest hour."  
The work is done—good or ill. The record is complete.  
"Tho much is missed along the way;

That we have gained is ours for aye."  
A letter of thanks to the members of the Saturday club from Mrs. J. I. Foster reads as follows:

"Dear Club Members, "I wish to thank you for your expression of appreciation for my efforts, to make our community a nicer place to live in. "All of the members, past and present, deserve as much credit as I do. I think the town is very fortunate to have the Saturday Club organization. "Please accept my sincere thanks and best wishes. "Truly yours, "Lizzie K. Foster"

**\$303.75 Raised for Cancer Fund Here**

The members of the Saturday Club wish to express their appreciation to all those who contributed to the cancer fund. Our quota for Rising Star was \$300.

Mrs. A. Louise Weber sent in \$303.75 for Rising Star. The club expressed its thanks to Mrs. J. I. Foster and Margie and to the Rising Star Record for their donations given in memory of Mrs. Cora Gregg, mother of Mrs. Charles Rutherford.

Scotch tape in smart and large rolls. The Record.

**Church Supper to Welcome New Pastor**

The First Baptist Church will welcome its new pastor, the Rev. Ed M. Jackson, and his family with an all-church supper on the night of June 5 at the church dining and recreation room. All members of the church were requested to be present with food to be served. The WMU is sponsoring the supper.

In the absence of the pastor on Sunday, May 12, the church pulpit was supplied by Dr. Nat Tracy, professor of Bible, Howard Payne College, Brownwood. Dr. Tracy was a dinner guest in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Roberds. Mrs. Tracy came for the evening services at the church.

Mr. and Mrs. George Steel and family visited Mrs. Steel's parents, at Aledo, near Fort Worth, on Mother's Day.

Miss Verilla Roberts, whose wedding announcement was in last week's Record, was here to spend Mother's Day with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Roberts.

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**LOCAL ITEMS**

**Career of Mother And Homemaker Is Supreme Challenge**

(Editor's Note: The following is a condensed text of a talk made to the Saturday Club by Mrs. Switzer.

By Mrs. Horace Switzer

To me, there is no career open to women that compares with that of being a partner in establishing a home; none that presents such a challenge; and none that brings so many blessings and privileges.

Family living exerts good or evil influence; not only on the members themselves, but on the community. Even a nation's destiny is determined largely by the homes of which it is composed.

A home is the basic unit of spiritual emotion and physical security. It is in the home that habits are formed, characteristics are developed; that enable its members to take their places in community life. With patience and understanding the home can become an effective proving ground for democracy. The particular phase of family life, I wish to emphasize is religion. Religion is the basic foundation upon which all other phases depend.

**Family Established.**

At the time of creation, God established the family. After creating man—both male and female—God blessed them and said unto them: "be fruitful and multiply and replenish the earth." God's purpose for the home is four-fold: companionship, mutual helpfulness, perpetuation of a Godly race and training of children in the way of the Lord.

During the 19½ centuries of Christian history, the most powerful instrument for the spread of Christianity in the world, has been Christian homes. Never, in history, has there been the crying need for religion in the home, as exists today. In days past, the family was held together by strong economic necessity. Each member had a distinctive part to play in the struggle for day bread. A spirit of cooperation and understanding existed.

Today, when the economic dependence does not exist to such a great degree, it requires greater effort to hold the family bond inviolate. Here the Christian concept of religion is the means whereby the family is bound together by mutual interest, esteem and responsibility to others. Children learn from example. They are imitators. Parenthood is a blessing, a privilege and an honor, but with honor comes responsibility.

**Must Be Versatile.**

To fill the role of motherhood successfully a woman must be versatile. She must be a good financier, diplomat, a dietician, a nurse, a psychologist, a teacher, even an athlete. She must have a heart full of understanding and sympathy, not only for her own but for others.

We must remember that a Christian home cannot be built by a mother alone, but with cooperation of a Christian father. Men should be to their homes a living example.

Christian religion cannot be spasmodic but a part of daily living. Prayer and Bible reading should be a part of daily living. Growth is an important phase of religion. "Train up a child in the way it should go, and when it is old, it will not depart from it."

were dinner guests of Mrs. Wofford and her daughter here, Mrs. B. A. Butler.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Holden and children of Venezuela, S. A., were here for Mother's Day, the guests of Mr. Holden's mother, Mrs. T. S. Holden.

Herman Lyon and Wayne Holamon of Dallas visited their parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. Lyon, and Mr. and Mrs. Lyon Holamon over the week end.

Among those from Rising Star who attended the funeral of Mrs. Cora Gregg at Cross Plains Saturday were Mr. and Mrs. E. Tyler, Mr. and Mrs. George Steel, Mesdames Frances Wilson, Waldene Lewis, O. K. Kitty Sue Groce, Dorothy Curt Smith, Merle Hickman, Grady Adams.

When Lie Cunningham was on duty involved June 1, 1957. Marine Corps signed this ing.

**NOTICE PEANUT GROWERS**

Some growers have been misinformed as to whether the New Argentina Peanut would be eligible for Support Price.

We are in receipt of the following telegram which definitely clarifies the situation — —

Washington, D. C., 4:25 P.M., May 1, 1957

Gorman Peanut Company  
Gorman, Texas

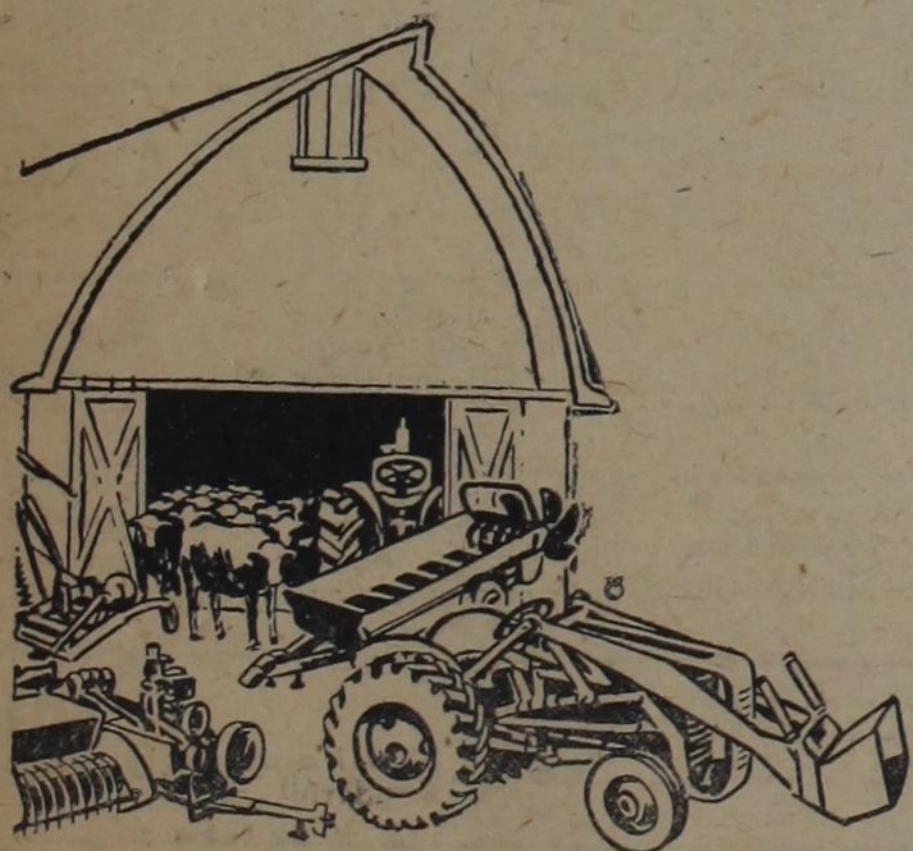
Re your telegram April 25. Argentine variety Spanish peanuts developed by Oklahoma A & M will be eligible for 1957 price support.

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Senior class announcements have been received from ex-students of Rising Star schools, including Karl Wayne Wilson, who is salutatorian of the high school class at Pecos, Joyce Smith, graduate of Hagerman, N. M., and Treacia J. Edwards of Cisco High School.

Mrs. J. L. Crosby of Odessa, mother of Mrs. E. B. McCollum, is visiting here. Mrs. Crosby was honored as the oldest mother present at the First Methodist Church services Sunday morning. She received a gift from the pastor, Rev. R. A. Brooks, Jr.

Mr. and Mrs. E. B. McCollum visited their daughter, Daris Sue, who is a student at TCU and Harris Hospital at Fort Worth, Friday.

H. E. Sprayberry, who underwent surgery at Hendricks Memorial Hospital in Abilene, is resting comfortably at his home here. Harvey Leonard has been here, from Arizona, to visit him. His son, Bruce Sprayberry and family have also visited him.

Mrs. Neva Daugherty of Long Beach, California, and Billy Ray Graves and wife of Dallas are here to be with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Graves. Their father, Ben Graves, is not well.

Arthur Perry will leave Saturday, May 11, for Baltimore, Maryland, where he will receive six months training in radio. He is with the Bendix Company.

E. E. Barnes and wife, of Tyler, visited his sister and her husband, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Faulkenberry.

Mrs. Lou Falls, a sister of J. W. Weathermon, and an ex-resident of Rising Star, has been here for a visit with Mrs. Will Ware, and relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Horton Morrison and their son, Dr. Kenneth Morrison of Fort Worth, left Tuesday for an extended visit to their son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Billy Morrison, at Yuba City, California.

Jerry Dale Erwin, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Erwin, an ex-student of Rising Star schools, received two awards at Tarleton State College, on parents day 1st week end. His parents were there to see him receive the awards.

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Murphy and daughters of Fort Worth. Mrs. Durwood Young and son of Irving, and Mrs. Robert Graves of Graham, were here to visit their mother, Mrs. W. E. Murphy, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry White of Tulsa, Okla., spent Mother's Day with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe White.

Mr. and Mrs. Clinton Crisp and children, of Jal, N. M., spent the week-end here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Crisp, and also visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Zed Inglet, and other relatives here.

Mr. and Mrs. Scruggs and baby of Abilene visited her mother, Mrs. E. T. Holamon, on Mother's Day.

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Lindsey, and two daughters of Mullin, spent Sunday with Mrs. Lindsey's mother and father, Mr. and Mrs. Dan Doyle.

Mrs. Jeff Richardson and her sister, Mrs. Almus Loyd, left Sunday for Loco Hills, N. M., after spending some time here with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Ives.

Mother's Day guests of Mrs. H. S. Wofford were her daughters, Mrs. Alton Roan of Breckenridge and Mrs. Bob Elliott of Cisco, and their husbands, They

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GRAIN COMBINES For SALE—One International 64, ready to go; one Allis Chalmers all-crop harvester, needing minor repairs. Refer to Jay Koonce at Higginbothams. 5-2-3tp

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FOR SALE—Two-piece living room suit, newly upholstered. See it at Higginbotham's. 5-9-2tp

LAWN MOWERS sharpened, greased and set. Pick up and deliver. Marvin West. 5-9-2tp

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**CARD OF THANKS**  
To the many friends in Rising Star who were so nice and thoughtful during my stay in the hospital there, I express my sincere thanks.

Your many acts of friendship made my stay there much more pleasant and I'll always treasure your thoughtfulness. May you always receive your full share of life's blessings, in my wish.  
Mrs. Dan McCarty

**CARD OF THANKS**  
I want to thank each one, in any way helped during my illness and passing of my dear father, J. H. Ives. Especially do we wish to thank Henry Carter and each person to the fund for the purchase of the wonderful flow of love and beautiful flowers that we received during our stay.

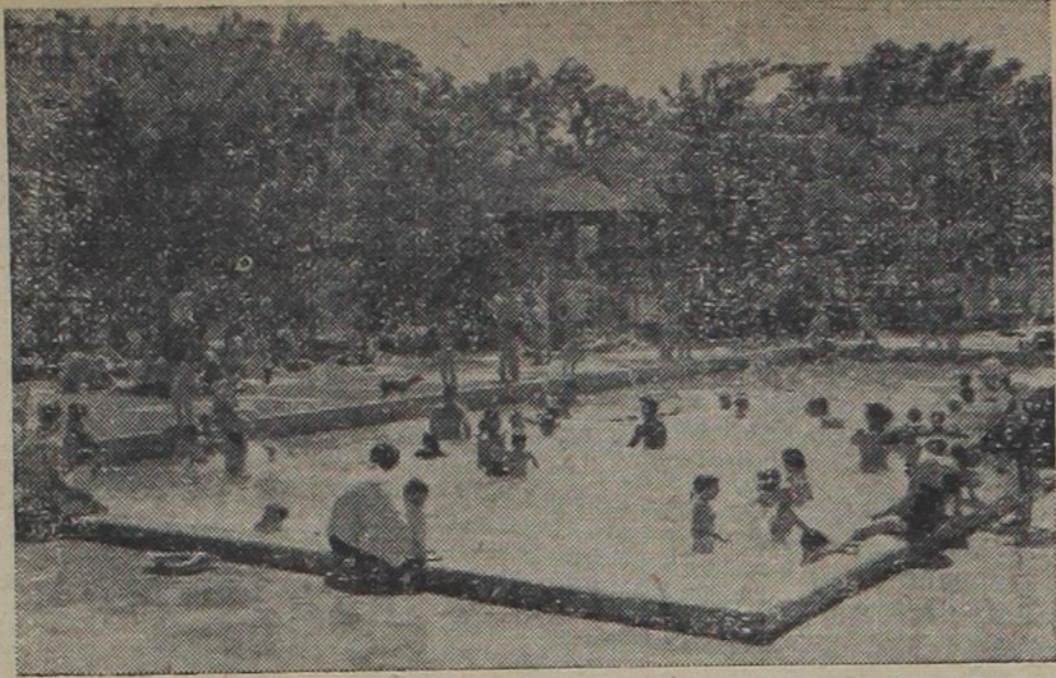


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Long before the white settlement of West Texas, Indians used the site of Abilene State Park at the foot of Big Chief Mountain as a camping place. The present-day park has been developed to facilitate picnicking and camping in the park's large grove of native trees. Rest rooms, a hundred thousand gallon swimming pool, grills, tables, benches, large parking areas and playgrounds provide comfort and added enjoyment for modern visitors. The park is reached over Farm Highway 89, southwest of Abilene.

### May Senior 4-H Club Studies Record Books

The May Senior 4-H Club met Tuesday with Patricia Madison, vice president, presiding. The motto and prayer were led by Jean Ann Ford. Patricia Madison and Jean Ford showed the girls how to fill out and keep a record book.

Mrs. Madison and Mrs. Grace Glynn, adult leaders, talked to the girls about attending county camp June 2 to 21 at the Baptist encampment at Brownwood lake. Patricia Madison has entered her goals in recreation to attend the Round-Up at Texas A&M College, as a junior recreation leader during Round-up this year in June.

Patricia and Jean were state winners in vegetable demonstration the past year. The May Senior 4-H team has taken first place in county and district and will go to Round-up to compete for state. The team is Glynda Burnett and Sue Glynn. The meeting opened with Bonnie Willett and Sue Glynn reading songs.

### North Star Club Has All-Day Meet

The quilting members of the North Star Home Demonstration Club met in the clubhouse on the morning of May 7. A quilt was put in frame and finished before the regular afternoon meeting, with time out for a sack lunch at noon.

At 2 p.m. the business session began with 14 members answering roll call. Following the usual opening exercises, Mrs. Will Ware reported on her attendance at the County Council meeting in Eastland on May 1. She was accompanied by Mmes. J. B. and York K. Eberhart. The rest of the time was devoted to club business.

Members present were Mmes. Will Ware, J. B. Eberhart, J. T. Alford, J. T. Coursey, Henry Gregg, A. J. Hardin, Claud Harris, Beyrl Heath, J. C. Hudson, Carl Irby, Edgar McCollum, Rufus Pierce, Ada Williams, Dennis Clark, and the following children: Beverly and Bill Fischer and Larry Alford.

The next meeting on June 1, will also be an all-day sack lunch affair, for the purpose of piecing a silk quilt.—Mrs. J. C. Hudson, Reporter.

Keith, spent Mother's Day with her son, Ray Butler and family, in Ardmore, Okla.

Miss Bill Brawner of Fort Worth was a guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. P. Brawner this week.

Clara Burkhead returned to her duties at the Burkhead Cafe Wednesday after a week's absence during which she underwent surgery at Rising Star Hospital.

Mrs. Lucy Boase spent Mother's Day last Sunday with her daughter, Mrs. Bob Rahmlow and Mr. Rahmlow at Terrell, Texas.

Mrs. J. T. Harris returned home Friday from the Gorman hospital. She is still confined to her bed, but is improving.

Mrs. Clyde Weaver and children of Comanche spent the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harve Carter.

Friends of Walter Starkey will be interested in knowing that he is improving in Methodist hospital in Dallas after being seriously ill. His room no. is 315.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Johnson of Kilgore spent a few days last week with Mr. and Mrs. Joe Johnson.

### LOCAL ITEMS

Mother's Day was celebrated at the home of Mr. and Mrs. M. G. Joyce with children and grandchildren and great grandchildren. Those present were: Merle Joyce, wife and son from Albany, Betty Jo Fisher and children.

Miss Phyllis Phillips of Eastland spent Mother's Day with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Bedford Morris.

Judd Morrow of Midland was here to visit his mother, Mrs. M. L. Morrow, and his brother, J. R. Morrow and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Irby were in Dallas over the week end visiting their son, Bob Irby and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Thurman Cox of Jal, N. M., were here Sunday, the guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. D. Carver.

Visitors in the home of Mrs. Flara Westerman over the week end were Mr. and Mrs. H. G. West and family of Fort Worth, Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Upton and son, Chuck, of Dallas, and Mrs. Elizabeth Vick of Weatherford. Mrs. West and Mrs. Upton are daughters of Mrs. Westerman and Mrs. Vick is Mrs. Westerman's mother.

Mrs. Hazel Butler and son,

### Obituary

R. G. MERRELL

The passing of Russell G. Merrell removes an honored member from the religious, social and business life of Rising Star. The entire community regardless of politics or religion, felt a deep sense of sorrow when it was learned he had gone on that long last journey from whence no traveler returns. He had been in poor health for some time, gradually declining until he entered the hospital and underwent major surgery from which he never recovered.

He was the son of David H. and Mary Catherine Merrell and was born on a farm in Ralls County, Missouri, on Feb. 14, 1885 and died May 4, 1957 at Temple, Texas.

He came to Texas over 40 years ago, living in several different localities. He had been living near Rising Star the past eight years.

He was married to Bessie W. Cullen July 19, 1929, who passed away August 28, 1954. When a young man, he made the good confession and united with the Christian church in Ralls Co., Mo., later placing his membership with the church he attended. He loved his church; his home; his relatives and friends and was always deeply concerned about the moral and spiritual welfare of all his fellowmen. It is a great consolation to his relatives and friends to know he was ready and willing to go.

He was preceded in death, by his wife, his parents, one sister and four brothers. He is survived by two sisters, Mrs. S. P. Calhoun, Farber, Mo., and Mrs. Mary Wasson, Vandalia, Mo.; four nieces, and five nephews; nine great nieces and five great nephews. One aunt, Mrs. Ella Skinner of Cairo, Mo., also survives, who recently celebrated her ninety-ninth (99th) birthday. (Pd.)

### Widow of Former Officer Here Dies

Funeral services for Mrs. A. D. Carroll, long-time former resident of Rising Star who died at her home in Eastland at 5 a.m. Wednesday, will be held at the First Baptist Church in Eastland at 3 p.m. Thursday with burial in Rising Star. Mrs. Carroll was the widow of a veteran Rising Star peace officer who died in 1949 at Eastland.

### "Pop" Garrett Named Lions Club Governor

County School Supt. H. R. (Pop) Garrett was elected District Governor of Lions International 2-E, at the convention in Brownwood last Saturday. Lions International is one of the leading service club organizations, with clubs throughout most of the free world. Mr. Garrett as governor of District 2-E will preside over clubs in a wide section of West Central Texas, including Fort Worth.

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