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A LETTER FROM RICHARD RIOJAS

If there is an X in this box it is notice your subscription has expired and an invitation to renew.

REACTION

—Ted Dotts

In many church denominations more and more emphasis is being placed on what is called "pastoral care". Pastoral care has to do with the ministry, the care, one person or group of persons does for another person or groups of persons. As Christian people we must pastor to one another as Christ is a pastor to us. We must bind up each other's wounds and help each other over the rough places in life's road.

Those professionals who spend their days in study and teaching about pastoral care have come up with many pointers for us. One of the finest pointers has to do with how we go about reacting to people. Anytime we come into contact with others, we react toward them in some way. We do not remain untouched by our contact. We are attracted. We are repulsed. We like or dislike.

Now, if we are to pastor to people, we must accept them. This is not to say that we make ourselves like those persons we really feel a dislike toward. Acceptance means that we react toward them by taking them as they are. To accept a person is to allow him to be himself around you. This is how we should react. We should allow a person to be himself and not try to force him to be what we think he should be.

For instance, suppose you are in a discussion with someone and they come up with what you consider to be a horrible statement. Perhaps they argue for prejudice. Now their argument and their words may repulse you. The argument may anger you.

How should you react? Especially, how should you react if you are certain their argument is wrong in view of the Christian Gospel?

Your reaction should take the form of acceptance. You should let them say all they have to say. Accept what they say so that they can get it all out of their system.

Then after you have allowed them to get the whole of their line of thinking out in the open, begin to look at their thinking with them.

The longer I live and study I become more convinced that none of us really knows we are in error until we can actually say that error to another person. Once our erroneous thinking is out in the open in front of a person who has accepted us, then we can begin to see wherein we were wrong. But, if the person to whom we are talking hears a little of what we say and quickly cuts us off, does not accept us, then there is little chance that we can see our error.

If we are to pastor to one another, our reaction must take the form of acceptance. Acceptance means that you hear a man out whether or not you disagree. Acceptance means that you take a man as he is and not as you think he ought to be. We must see who we are and where we are before we can change into something better.

The Junior play "Headin' for a Wedding" will be presented Friday, April 23 at 7:30 in the High School Auditorium. Charges are \$1 for adults, 75c for high school students, 50c for the first grade through the eighth. No charge for pre school children, and no difference in advance tickets or at the door.

(The following letter was handed us by John Smith, written to him from Richard Riojas, M. D. Richard is now in Benito Juarez, Michoacan, Mexico. We are sorry he has not been receiving his copy of the Plainsman. We have been sending it to San Antonio, where he was interning. We found his letter extremely interesting, and his description of Old Mexico very vivid.)

Dear John, It was nice of you to write, thank you very much. I enjoyed the news of my hometown and Texas Tech. Time sure goes by fast, seems like yesterday that we were in algebra class together my first year in Ropes. After high school the years flew: four years at Tech, five years in med school in Mexico City, last year in San Antonio interning at the Robert B. Green Hospital and now here two months have already gone by—I lack four more, and I will be through with my social service. You might say that this is our first medical practice on our own at the same time time that we help people who live in places where there is no doctor.

Benito Juarez is what you might call a small county seat with 1,200 people, and totaling the population of the surrounding towns it would be some 7,000 people, who are the ones I attend. In order to go to most of these towns one would have to go on horseback or walk through paths over the mountains. I am lucky because there is a dirt road leading to my town from Zitacuaro, Michoacan, which is on the main highway between Mexico City and Morelia, the capital of this state. Other doctor friends doing their social service have to go to their towns on horseback or by plane. This is important to me because if I have a seriously ill patient that needs immediate care or surgery I can drive them in my beat up '55 Chevy to Zitacuaro to the hospital there; it takes me from 45 minutes to an hour.

As you come from Zitacuaro, which has a population of 27,000, you pass several small towns—the houses are usually made of adobe, sometimes brick. The road curves up and down and around the mountains which are green because of the trees or different trees or different plantations (many people still use oxen to plow). On the way down here you pass a lake, the road goes around it. Before you arrive to my town you can see it from the mountain side, small houses surrounded with different fruit trees like lemon, mango, avocado, plum, and even coffee trees and others; you can see the dirt streets, with people, dogs, burros, cows, chickens,

and pigs; in the middle of town the tower of an old church with its bell can be seen. Around the town you can see the cane fields, also melon, corn, rice etc. About 3 miles from here you can see the dark smoke coming from the tall smoke stacks of an old sugar factory that had been abandoned for some 15 years until now. The first batch of sugar came out yesterday and I was fortunate enough to get to taste it; it is interesting to go through it.

The majority of the people here are poor and have the bare necessities of life. For a whole day's work they get 10 to 15 pesos (80c to \$1.25). Then as you know the families are very numerous. The men wear a "gavan" which is a rectangular shaped blanket with an opening for the head; the gavan is woven of wool in different colors; they also wear "guaraches" (sandals made of leather straps and the soles made of leather and the rubber of car tires). They also carry a "machete" which is a curved knife-like instrument that they use to work with. I wish you could see me with my guaraches and hat. I plan to buy me a gavan also.

My little town doesn't have electricity or purified water or a thousand other commodities you would find in the states or other cities here in Mexico.

Sometimes my patients are very ill but don't have money others can pay 5 to 10 pesos (40 to 80c) for medicines and all which is what I live on.

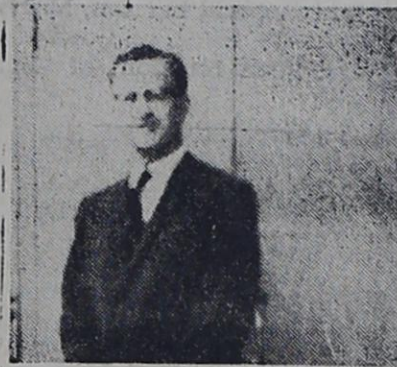
I live in a fairly nice room of what you would call the court house where I have my little cot, petroleum lamp which gives me light at night for two weeks for approximately 3 to 5c US money; in my room I have few essential medicines, books and my transistor radio which keeps me company and at night sometimes I can hear radio stations from the U. S.

Close to Zitacuaro there is a very nice tourist resort area called San Jose Purua with swimming pools, fountains, water falls many orange trees, etc. Mexico City is only some 120 miles from Zitacuaro.

I don't know if the Ropes Plainsman would be interested in printing this letter or part of it, but they may if they would like. Also I would appreciate it if you would tell my Dad to send me a subscription of the Ropes Plainsman to me.

I live some 1,300 miles away from my home town but I always remember all my friends and I would like for you to tell them hello for me.

Your friend,
Richard A. Riojas, M. D.



TOM WATSON
YOUNG HOMEMAKERS
YOUNG FARMERS MEET

The Ropes Young Homemakers and Young Farmers met in a joint meeting Monday night, April 12, at 7:30 in the home economics department.

Special guest speaker was Tom Watson with the Better Business Bureau in Lubbock. A film was viewed by Mr. and Mrs. Kieth Streety, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Means, Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Glenn, Mr. and Mrs. Doc Moore, Betty Whitehead, Carol Wilkinson and Genell Ward.

Following the film a discussion and question period was very informative and educational. The business meeting was then held. For the devotional Mrs. Anita Means read the poem "H W To Plant a Spring Garden."

The Young Homemakers will have a surprise salad luncheon and announce the outstanding FHA girl who will compete for the state title award "Little Sister of the Year." The luncheon will be Tuesday, April 20 at 11:00 a. m. in the homemaking department. Each Young Homemaker is to bring a salad.

ROPES EAGLE BAND TAKES SPECIAL HONORS

The Ropes Eagle Band won special award honors in the April 2nd Interscholastic League band contest held in Seagraves. No sweepstakes awards were presented in Class B but the Eagle Band received a special award for having a Division I rating in both concert and sightreading. This is the first time in the history of the Ropes Band that such an award has been achieved.

There were twenty bands that participated in the contest and more than 1,200 students were involved. There were seven Class B bands and their ratings are as follows: Shallowater, concert 2, sightreading 1; Wilson, concert 2, sightreading 2; Anton, concert 1, sightreading 3; Jayton, concert 2, sightreading 1; Whiteface, concert 2, and sightreading 1; and Suddown, concert 3, sightreading 1.

The regional chairman is Bill Woods, Levelland, and Bob Cheek, Seagraves, served as contest chairman. The judges were William Rhoades, University of New Mexico, Charles Emmons, University of Missouri and Richard Kole, Thomas Jefferson High School, San Antonio. The sightreading judge was Eldon Sonnenburg, Sherman High School, Sherman.

The annual Spring Concert of the Ropes Bands will be at 7:30 p.m. April 27th in the High School Auditorium. The concert will feature the fourth grade tonettes, fifth grade band, Junior high band, the Eagle Band and the Swingin' Lariats (stage band). The admission is 75c for adults, and 50c for children. The public is invited to attend.

T B RESULTS

Nineteen students in the Ropes Schools showed positive in the tuberculin tests administered here last week. The date is still not set for the mobile x ray unit to visit Ropes.

W. B. Pointer has been serving in the Littlefield area. He is to be in charge of the new business.

COUNTY JUDGE LOUIS OWENS ARRESTED

The political pot began to simmer a little early this year, with the arrest of County Judge Louis Owens this past Thursday morning at Levelland. Sheriff Weir Clean made the arrest following a warrant issued by the Justice Court. Owens was released after posting \$1000 bail.

Owens took office January 1, 1960 as Hockley County Judge. Charges allegedly are "misappropriation of public money by a county official."

County Attorney Harold Phejan said the complaint came of a fine and court costs which were levied against Estanistado Gonzales in County Court action in 1962. Gonzales stated the fine was paid in full April 1, 1963. The fine was not filed with County Clerk R. O. Dennis until April 7, 1965.

We understand County Attorney Harold Phejan has been working on this case for about three weeks. At this time the Grand Jury is still reviewing the case and a decision will probably not be reached before Thursday or Friday.

SIX DEMONSTRATIONS WIN IN 4 H CLUB WORK

The Ropes 4 H club met on Monday, April 12 at 6:30 p.m. at the community building. "Safety" was the topic for the program. Paula McCormick and Iva Hobbs gave a demonstration on "Swimming Can be Safe"; Lonnie Exum and Danny Rosser gave an "Artificial Respiration" demonstration, and "Safety Rules for Summer Vacation", was presented by Mrs. C. E. Hinson of Levelland.

Certificates on Unit 2 of "Foods and Nutrition" was presented to the following girls, by Mrs. Pointer: Pam and Marcia Ream, Carolyn White, Becky and Denise Carpenter, Martha Smith, Paula McCormick, Kathy and Iva Hobbs, Louella Means, Lynell Etheridge, Susan Redman, G. G. McKee, Barbara and Donna Russell.

The crop program for the county and district was explained by Mrs. Rosser. Also those interested in animals for another year should contact the agent or local adult leader.

At the County Elimination in Levelland Apr. 9, the Ropes club had nine demonstration teams to enter. Out of the teams Ropes will send six first place winners to District in Lubbock on May 8. We are real proud of these boys and girls as they have worked so hard on their demonstrations and we have more teams going to district than any other club in the county.

Teams giving demonstrations are: Junior Girls: Share the Fun, Carolyn White, red ribbon. Safety, Paula McCormick and Iva Hobbs, second place. Electric, Becky Carpenter and Pam Ream, go to district.

Club adjourned and refreshments were served by the refreshment committee, Paula McCormick, chairman, Reporter, Denise Carpenter

Two new members, Travis White, and Mickey Carter, were welcomed into the club. Others present were Denise, Danny and David Carpenter, Beverly McGuire, Carolyn White, Iva and Kathy Hobbs, Ted Lowrie, Paula McCormick, Floyd Morrow, Gene Richardson, Marcia and Pam Ream, Martha Smith, Lonnie Exum, Cookie and Archie Jordan, Sammy Means and Danny Rosser.

Adults present were Mrs. J. C. Pointer, Mrs. L. S. Rosser, Mrs. E. N. Exum, Mrs. S. E. Whitener, Mrs. John Ream, Roy Carpenter, Mrs. F. C. Lowrie, Mrs. O. H. Morrow, Mrs. R. W. Richardson and Charlie Jordan.

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ROPES HD CLUB MET APRIL 6TH

The Ropes Home Demonstration Club met April 6 in the home of Mrs. Gerald Ward with our annual luncheon.

Those present were Mmes. K. P. Shannon, Joe Harris, Bud Rucker, C. B. Ward, J. M. Marcy, Preston Darby, J. D. Beaty, Edwin Whitehead, Mansfield Thomas, Huey Darby, Sam Whitener, Melvin Glenn, Bob Thomas, Ronnie Ayers, James Chambers, D. C. Craig, N. J. Green, Ronnie Jones, Jimmy Sims, Doyle Darby, two visitors, Mrs. Phil Guinn and Opal Jones, and the hostesses.

After lunch the club enjoyed playing 42.

The next meeting will be April 20 in the home of Mrs. Doyle Darby. Mrs. E. J. Abney will bring our program. Anyone interested in home demonstration work is invited to come.

Mr. O. K. Powell of Springfield, Missouri stopped and visited with his daughter, Mr. Jane Fry for three days. He was on his way home from Riverside, California where he said they were getting plenty of rain.

Three Martin was in Denver City Wednesday attending to business.

PRE SCHOOL DAY WILL BE HELD FRIDAY APRIL 30

Friday, April 30, will be Pre School Day at Ropes Elementary School. All children in the Ropes School District who will be six years old by September 1 of this year should attend. Parents should bring the children and be in the cafeteria for registration by 8:45 a.m. Each child should have a birth certificate to establish age. These certificates will be returned promptly. After registration, the children will go to the rooms with their teachers and will be left with the teachers until 2:30 p.m. when they may be called for.

If the children are to ride the school bus either to or from school, they must be in the care of older children who will be responsible for their conduct and safety.

The pre-school children will be guests of the school for lunch in the cafeteria at lunch time.

The patrons of the school are urged to assist in getting word to the parents of all eligible children.

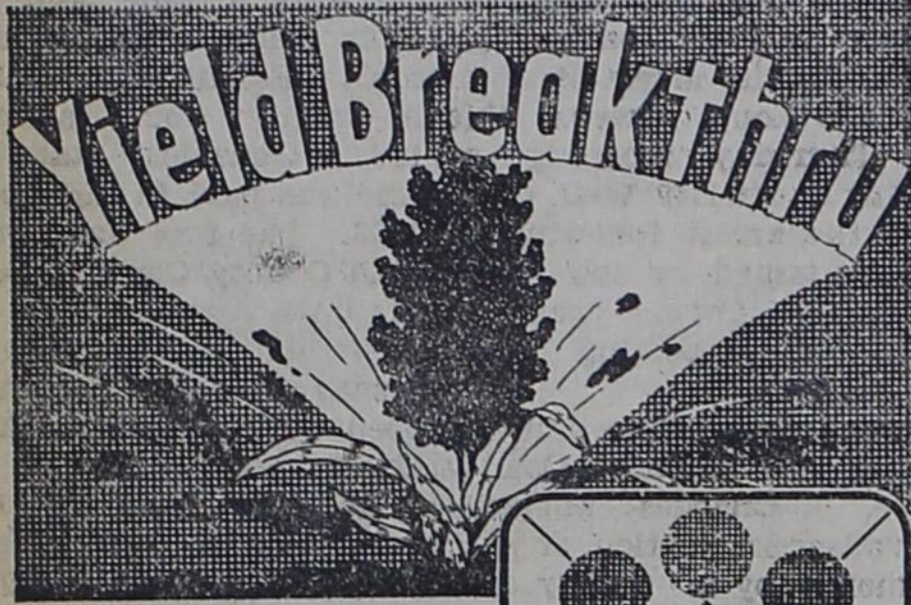
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We deeply appreciate and gratefully acknowledge your kind expressions of sympathy for us in our time of sorrow, over the death of my Father, May God bless each of you.

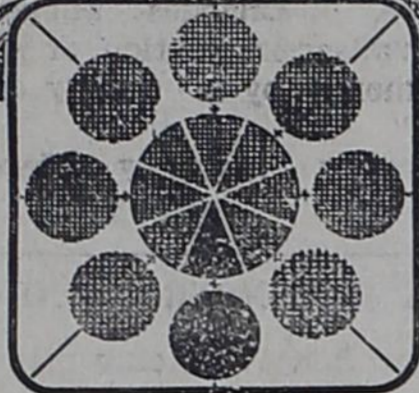
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The airman is a graduate of Ropes High School.

Mark Hardin, son of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Hardin, was on the sick list this past week end.

D. E. Hoard and Katie this past week visited in Wichita Falls with David Hoard. On Wednesday they attended the funeral of Mr. Hoard's sister and Katie's aunt, Mrs. G. C. Gray at Temple, Oklahoma.

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Mr. and Mrs. L. S. Rosser attended the 8 B District Track Meet in Sundown last Saturday. They saw plenty of sand!

Artie and Irene visited Sunday near Acuff in the home of his sister, Mr. and Mrs. Ed win Powe and family.

her parents Sunday, Mr. and Mrs. Troy Morris.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Marrett had as their visitor this week their son, Harold Marrett of Washington, D.C., whom they had not seen in seven years.

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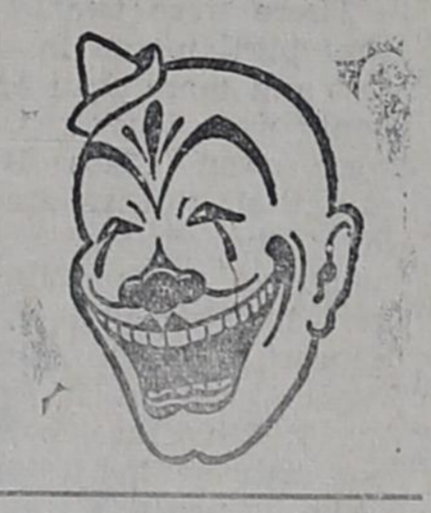
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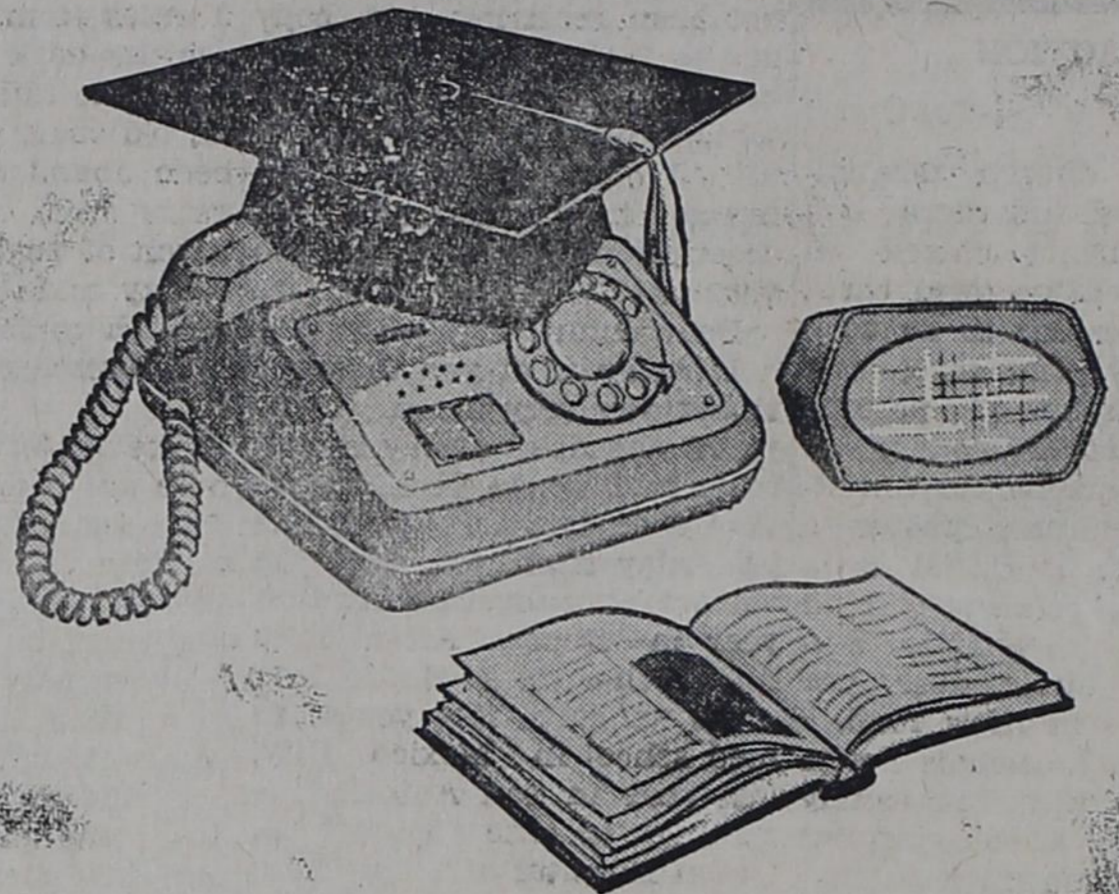
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FHA NEWS

The FHA girls have been extremely busy the past few weeks with the area meeting in Lubbock, the FFA banquet and a surprise breakfast for the freshmen.

In the Area FHA Meeting Jeanie Forbus went as a voting delegate, and Rosene Davis ran for Area Treasurer. Mary Lynn Gresham was a member of the Area chorus.

Some of the FHA girls served at the FFA banquet. They were Jeanie Forbus, Freda McNabb, Blanche Taylor, Beth Floyd, Brenda Cole, Diana Suter, and Karen McKee.

There was a surprise 'Come As You Are' breakfast Saturday, April 10th at about 6:00 a.m. Those earlybird freshmen attending were Carolyn Bethany, Kathleen Allen, Judy Hardin, Diana Suter, Brenda Thomas, Karen McKee and Janis Bradshaw.

Upper classmen, Jeanie Forbus, Rosene Davis, Mary Lynn Gresham, Freda McNabb, Katy McNabb, Jane Spivey, Janet Ream, Sarah Cato, Glenda Price, Gladys Pinkert, Beth Floyd, Berrilyn Thomas, Olga Guzman, and Deanna Cluck and sponsor, Mrs. Carol Wilkinson.

BAPTIST WMS NEWS

The WMU of the Ropes First Baptist Church met last Thursday for their mid year general meeting and special study on the WMU year books and manual.

Mrs. M. R. Awbrey brought the program, with leaders of all different departments present.

Those attending were Mmes. Tony Sims, Tom Jackson, Clois Cato, Ronnie Ayers, Marvin Awbrey, Marshall Armstrong, Marlin Rowland, Robert Hall, Earl Odom, Preston Reeves, Harry Marrett,

and Fred Satterwhite and two visitors from the Mission, Amelia Rasales and Rev. Joe Soloman, and visitors from the Clauene Fellowship Baptist Church, Mmes. Clyde Rhodes, David Hartman, and Jesse Norrell, and one visitor from Amherst, Mrs Branscum.

Among those appointed by Mrs. Awbrey to help with the Spanish Mission WMU were Mmes. Reeves, Armstrong, Hall, Satterwhite, and Harry Marrett as reporter.

CUB SCOUT NEWS

The Cub Scouts met Thursday afternoon, April 8, at the school. We went on a field trip to the Home and Garden Center in Lubbock. There we saw many kinds of plants and birds and several pet animals. Afterwards David and Danny Carpenter treated us to an ice cream cone.

Those present were Alfred Evans, Roy Don Dodson, Stan Shockley, Mike Moore, Perry Strickland, David and Danny Carpenter, Mark Hardin, and the Den Mothers.

Reporter,
Perry Strickland

Guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Abb Russell are his aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. E. K. Wright and daughter, Ester of Billings, Montana, and his mother, Mrs. Reba Russell of Levelland. Other recent visitors was their daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Summerfeld, D'Linda and Andra of Hamilton, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Pointer of Lubbock, and Mr. and Mrs. Edward Russell of Ropes.

Fred Satterwhite took the eighth grade on a field trip to Lubbock Tuesday morning. The group visited the Tech Museum and Planetarium.

Mrs. Abb Russell, Mrs. Hattie Pointer and J. C. Pointer attended the funeral of Mr. Short Roberson in Hamilton

last week. He was an uncle of Mrs. Russell and Mr. Pointer, and a brother of Mrs. Hattie Pointer.

Freda Pointer and her roommate, Joyce Haymes, spent the weekend in the home of Freda's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Pointer.

THANK YOU!

We would like to thank every one of our many customers who have done business with us for the past 2 years in our operating of Windy's Drive In Cafe. To young teenagers and older teenagers, a Texas size thank you, Winfield and Jane Fry

WCSO MEETS

The Womens Society of Christian Service of the Ropes Methodist Church met at the church Monday, April 12 at 2:30.

The meeting was called to order by the president, Mrs. Bud Rucker, who gave the opening prayer. She also announced there will be a District Meeting May 5th at Littlefield. Mrs. Rucker thanked everyone who helped with the Mexican Supper honoring the Senior Class.

A motion was made and seconded, motion carried, that we send \$2.00 for Crusade scholarship. Mrs. Ted Dotts was in charge of the program entitled "It is My Son" with Mrs. James Chambers, Mrs. Charles Shannon, Mrs. R. D. Hayslip and Mrs. Bill Odom taking part.

After the meeting closed with a song and prayer, the group was entertained with a coffee at the home of Mrs. James Chambers, which everyone enjoyed very much.

Attending were Mmes. Bud Rucker, Ted Dotts, Frankie Condra, Kirby Shannon, E. E. Nix, John Kimberlin, W. O. Drake, Bill Odom, Charles Shannon, R. D. Hayslip, Bob Thomas, James Chambers, and one visitor, Mrs. Dan Carter.

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