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## BEST SOME THOUGHTS —

The weather — it's for ice cream, soda pop, air conditioners and cool clothes.

The sudden heat wave has caught everybody unawares, and the mercury soaring up past the hundred mark is most unbearable.

In case there are any doubts, the long awaited hot summer days are here.

Even though summer hasn't officially arrived yet, it would be hard to convince the area residents of this fact. This Sunday, June 21, is the day that not only marks the beginning of summer, but is also Dad's Day.

The one time in the year when the fathers are recognized, and receive all sorts of loot.

Generally, whatever father receives, he pays for in the long run if his kiddos are still at home.

It's dry, dry, dry. It's so dry that if you exhale deeply you cause a mild sandstorm. Everything is thirsty. Even the City water wells, the way they have put out this week.

That was a joke. The water pressure has been a little low, but we do still have water. — You just have to wait a bit for it to run out your tap.

It's so hot and dry that when you breathe you parch your throat if you don't breathe through a glass of ice water, or something cold and wet.

Even the weeds are not thriving too well. They look kinda burned.

'Round our house we have to be careful of forest fires.

We got to looking for a cool place to stay one day this week, and wandered over to the Ropes Food and visited around awhile until Billy Ray threatened to charge us for the cool space. Now, there's a nice, cool place in town. But we couldn't find anyone to move our linotype over there. After breathing up all the cool air we could there, we went to Walt's Cafe and inhaled a glass of iced tea, but that air conditioner wasn't any cooler than our own. Then we met David Burks in the street and inquired about the cooling system at Smith Auto. He showed it to us. They had all the doors open.

About five o'clock we ventured into the post office, and found another cool spot but they were ready to close and go home, so we had to come back to our own place of business and swelter.

The heat seems to sap up more energy and strength in a few hours than several days of hard work.

It's so hot that when the dogs chase the rabbits they both walk.

"Shore is hot," remarked a farmer in front of the food store, mopping his brow. "but it's good for the crops." A traveler stopped off for a cold drink inquired of another farmer, "Is heat really good for the crops?" The second farmer replied, "Well, stranger, I'll tell ye, in some real hot spell a long time ago some durned fool said so, and 'twas too hot at the time for anybody to deny it, and that's how the idea got started."

The paper is put out by the sweat of our brow this week. So, we will roll off the page once again.

## It Is Our Belief . . .

That anything can be carried out of bounds, brought to gigantic proportions, ballooned out of sight, and in short, one item leads to another and pretty soon there is a great STORY going.

We feel sure Ropes is no exception when it comes to small town gossip. So, this week, we hope without making the problem larger, we would like to state a few things we know to be fact — and ask the City Council a few questions that we feel the citizens of Ropes have a right to know the answers to.

These men are elected to attend to business that concerns everyone, and are not elected to try to "put something over" on an unknowing public who has a definite concern about most problems.

We would like to know why the City is suddenly out of money, or so desperate to save money so seemingly all at once. The water rates were raised last year, the sewer system rates are certainly not at a poverty level, and last week the citizens were informed that evaluation of our property has been raised.

We are not griping about these costs. Far from it. We are more than pleased with the way this business has been handled by the Mayor and Council. They are doing a difficult, thankless job.

The item we are displeased about, as is the huge majority of Ropes citizens who know about it, is that they have decided the City cannot afford our own law. So, without even consulting the Marshall now holding the job, or all of the Councilmen, a delegation of men visited Sheriff Weir Clem in Levelland last week.

The initial concern was supposedly about schooling which will be required for law officers after the first of September, but it turned out the real cause of the errand was to seek out the Sheriff and see if he would hire our Marshall as a deputy. Sheriff Clem stated he would be happy to have Marshall Fox as a deputy, that he is one of the finest lawmen he knows anywhere.

When we visited with Sheriff Clem Friday morning, he told us that Ropes would be wise to leave things as they are.

The story goes that the members of the Council dedicated to this cause stated that the City could not afford our own law any more. It was also told that the Hockley County Commissioners' Court was preparing to cut off the funds that they now allow Ropes on the Marshall's pay. This is definitely not true. We talked to Judge Hulon Moreland last Friday, and he stated that to his knowledge the Commissioners' Court had not even discussed it, he himself had not discussed this with any member of the City Council or the Mayor. It was all news to him, and he further stated that the Commissioners' Court was very satisfied with the law set up in Ropes and received no complaints. They would like to leave things the way they are.

Commissioner Emmett Schoenrock also stated that he had no knowledge of the funds being stopped that help Ropes keep an officer.

Why then, can't the City afford to keep paying less than a third of the officer's salary, to keep a Marshall in Ropes?

We, as many others, can recall going from one officer to another, and being many weeks without any law. At one time a petition was passed to get Sheriff Clem to place a deputy in Ropes. This was vetoed right quick by the rulers of our City, stating that we need our own law.

We are an incorporated City, and should have our own law. So now that we do have our own law, who has been here better than three years, why the sudden need for a deputy?

And, the following is an opinion, and not a known fact, we believe, if there are any personal grievances they should not be carried into City business. This should be a decision for the betterment of the whole town and not for the satisfaction of one or two who might have an ax to grind.

If the majority of people in Ropes are satisfied with our present law, and the set up we now have, why should we be forced to change? We should at least be consulted on an alteration of this magnitude to our City, and be given a voice in the matter.

It is a proven fact that a town with deputy law is not as satisfactory as a town who provides the law of their own choosing.

A petition has been passed to only a few this week stating that the people prefer to keep our law setup the way it is. Out only about three hours in all, it gained approximately 50 names. It will likely be passed some more before the City Council meets Thursday night in a called meeting to discuss this important matter.

The City is certainly not taking in less money, the County is not even dreaming of stopping their financial help, we have a competent law officer, so why not keep it that way?

It is fact and not fancy that some people, and some towns have sold their very souls, or freedom of self government for money. Let us not be among them, to cry after the fact that the door was closed on yet another part of our town governed by the people, to line the pockets of the City treasury.

### CAFE CLOSED

Walt's Cafe is again closed. We certainly hate to see this happen and hope that it will be reopened again in the very near future. A cafe on Main Street is very important, and adds much to the business section of our town.

As of this writing, we have no idea what is planned to do with this establishment.

### RENEWS PAPER

Vernon Taylor of Lubbock was a pleasant caller at the Plainsman office last Friday and renewed his subscription to the paper.

Mr. Taylor still has farming interests in this area, and stated that the hard wind and sand of Thursday did quite a bit of harm to the crops.

## Man Totin' Load of Beer Is Apprehended

A seventy-five year old Latin American male, Jerry A. Gomez, of Seagraves was picked up Sunday night by City Marshall O'Neal Fox. He was found to be carrying a full load of beer.

The suspect turned off FM 41 onto Hockley Street via the old dirt road that is filled with water, missing the pavement and became stuck. When he got through this difficulty and headed on through Ropes he was stopped by the Marshall for a driver's license check, and he had none. Further investigation of the

back of the tarp-covered pickup revealed 182 quarts and 25 cans of beer.

The man was charged in City Court on two counts, one of no driver's license and one of driving while intoxicated. He was fined \$25 on each count and passed the night in the City Jail.

In County Court at Levelland on Monday morning, the man was charged with transporting alcoholic beverages, was fined \$100 plus \$42.30 Court costs, and his pickup was confiscated.

## Services Today For A. J. Dunavant

Services for Albert J. (Shorty) Dunavant, 69, of Brownwood, who died Monday in a Brownwood hospital, will be held at 2:00 p.m. today (Thursday) in the First United Methodist Church here.

The Rev. Ray Elliott, pastor of the Central Methodist Church in Brownwood will officiate. Burial will be in City of Lubbock Cemetery under the direction of Rix Funeral Home.

Mr. Dunavant was a resident here until nine years ago when he moved to Brownwood. He and his wife, Thelma, were married in 1924 in Shallowater.

He was well known in this area and numbered his friends by those

who knew him. Mr. Dunavant was a retired farmer and a member of Central United Methodist Church in Brownwood.

Survivors include his wife, Thelma; three sons, Ray Dunavant of Austin, Pat Dunavant of Ropesville and Mike Dunavant, who is serving in Vietnam; three brothers, Floyd of Hereford, Phillip of Petersburg, and Grady of Floydada; four sisters Miss Myra Dunavant of Floydada, Mrs. Vera Rhodes of Shallowater, Mrs. Eula Jones of Lockney and Mrs. Joy Wright of Sand Springs, Oklahoma; and five grandchildren.

The Plainsman and community extend deepest sympathy to the family during their time of sorrow.

## Ropes Lions Club Installs New Officers

The Ropes Lions Club met Monday, June 15, 1970, in their regular meeting. Wives of members were guests in the ladies night meeting. Ray Hoppens, District Scout Executive for the Longhorn District, presented the charters to the Lions Club for Boy Scout Troop 563 and Cub Scout Pack 563. The troop and pack each has the ten year award attached this year, since they are both ten years old and have been sponsored by the Lions Club for the entire time.

Mrs. Anita Means received her Training Award as Den Mother for Pack 563. Mrs. Wanda Drake received hers some time ago, as did C. T. McCormick, Scoutmaster. Mr. Hoppens commented on the fine work done by the Lions Club and the leaders in keeping the organizations going for boys who are interested in scouting. He recounted the scouts who have received their Eagle award, the highest rank in scouting. They were: Dwight Hardin, a 1969-70 senior music major in West Texas State University; Bill McCormick

a senior at Texas Tech University; Danny Rosser, now serving with the U.S. Army in Virginia and recently returned from Viet Nam; Johnny Martin, recently moved to Wellman, Texas, and a high school senior; Joe Bert Roberson, a 1970 graduate of Ropes High School, now living in Lubbock; and Roy Don Dodson, a sophomore in Wellman High School, recently moving there from Ropes.

Don Bell and Mrs. Bell attended the meeting. Don installed the officers of the Lions Club for the coming year. Each officer was reminded of his duties in the new year. New officers are: President, Charles Shannon 1st Vice president, Joe Lemon 2nd Vice president, Jim Collins 3rd Vice president, C. T. McCormick Sec.-Treasurer, Roy Carpenter Lion Tamer, Robert Hall Tail Twister, Preston Reeves 1 year director, Ken Means, Larry Jackson 2 year director, J. T. Drake, Bud Arnwine

### The Observer and the Observed by Dave K. Powers

Space travel is old stuff to the "now" generation. The space heroes now in orbit from Russia — Who know their names, or how long they have been up? What is the purpose of their trip? Yet despite the fact that space travel is old stuff, millions of people have their ears tuned to what scientists and astronauts are saying. Up to half a billion people heard Borman, Lovell and Anders read the first ten verses of Genesis one Christmas Eve. The professional atheist Madalyn Murray O'Hair provoked a few thousand to voice their objections but more than two million have now written in support of Bible Reading from space ships. Prayer was banned in our public schools (compulsory prayer), but the first thing when Apollo XIII got into trouble, the nation was called upon to pray.

Neil Armstrong became the first man to put foot on the moon. On that day, Commander Frank Borman read from Genesis at a special White House service. The same day, Edwin Aldrin, a Presbyterian Elder, celebrated communion from the moon's surface in fellowship with millions of other television viewers. Such acts of deliberate Christian witness recently provoked the famed science-fiction writer Ray Bradbury to say in a CBS news interview, "I am willing to predict that because of space travel, by the end of the century our churches will be full again."

It is not only the headliners such as Glenn, Borman and Von Braun who are quick to proclaim their personal Christian beliefs in this so-called age of unbelief. Research shows that a personal faith seems to be the rule and not just the exception for the thousands of back-up scientists and astronauts as well as technicians who make the space flights possible.

History shows the value of a Godly heritage. There are thousands of preacher's kids and missionary's kids in WHO'S WHO. Just what has Mrs. O'Hair accomplished this week? Atheism, agnosticism and hedonism do little to help the needy mankind.

### WEDDING SHOWER

Mrs. Lynn Blair, nee Miss Janis (Cookie) Jordan, will be honored with a wedding shower from 2:30 to 4:30 p.m. Friday, June 19, at the School Cafeteria. Everyone has a cordial invitation to attend.

### MOVES TO BUSTERVILLE

Mrs. Jean Parker, operator of Walt's Cafe in Ropesville, announced this week that she is moving to the cafe located at Busterville, and invites all her friends and customers to visit her there. She will be open for business Monday.

Mrs. Parker stated that she will have the same foods and good coffee she has served in the past.

Busterville is located about four miles east of Ropes on FM 41.

### EDWARD CAVITT'S SERVICES TUESDAY

Services for Edward S. Cavitt, 68, were held at 4:30 Tuesday in Funeral Home Chapel, with Dr. Hardy Clemons, pastor of Second Baptist Church, officiating. Burial was in Resthaven Memorial Park.

Mr. Cavitt, a former Pecos resident, died Sunday in a Lubbock nursing home following a lengthy illness. A native of DeLeon, he lived in Pecos 18 years before moving to Lubbock in October, 1969. He was a retired seismograph operator for Gulf Oil Company.

Survivors include his wife, Ida; three daughters, Mrs. Wanda Greer of Lubbock, Mrs. Sherry Crist of Pecos and Mrs. Tresa Demopolis of Houston; two sisters, Mrs. Otha Stephens of Stamford and Mrs. Ennis Moore of Ropesville; a brother, T. P. Cavitt of DeLeon, and six grandchildren.

The Plainsman and community extend deepest sympathy to hte bereaved in their time of sorrow.

### ANNIVERSARY PARTY

The Kolorie Killers TOPS Club of Ropesville will hold their fifth annual birthday anniversary on June 18 in the Ropes School Cafeteria at 7:30 p.m. All former members are invited to attend.

## To Close on Saturdays

### POST OFFICE TO CLOSE ON SATURDAYS

Changes in window service hours at the Ropesville Post Office were announced today by Postmaster Flora Martin.

Saturday window service will be discontinued at the facility effective July 4, 1970, the Postmaster reported. The need for Saturday service

has declined at this post office.

The postmaster said the new service policy would meet the public's needs and help achieve greater efficiency and economy in all local postal operations. The postmaster pointed out there would be no change in delivery by carriers or post office boxes, on Saturdays.

### LETTER FROM H. D. ABNEY

We received a letter this past week from Harold Dean Abney, who is serving with the armed forces in Viet Nam.

Harold Dean sent us his new address, and stated that he has only four more months to serve in Viet Nam. He enjoys the paper, and is looking forward to returning to Texas.

We are always happy to hear from anyone, but especially do we like to hear from our boys in service.

### SERVICEMAN'S ADDRESS

We bring you the address of a serviceman this week who was 'almost' a Ropes boy, and he does like to receive mail. He is stationed in Germany with about 500 more days to go. The boy is Robert Wright, son of Mrs. Trixie Wright of Fresno, California, and the grandson of Tom Wall of Ropesville. His address is as follows:

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VISITS SISTER

Mrs. Lou Starnes and boys of Tulsa visited over the weekend in the home of her sister, Mr. and Mrs. Aubrey Mayfield and family.

IN DALLAS OVER WEEKEND

Mr. and Mrs. Terry Redford helped their son, Tommy, move to Dallas this past weekend.

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE STATE OF TEXAS IN AND FOR HOCKLEY COUNTY

121ST JUDICIAL DISTRICT CIVIL FILE NO. 6226

W. O. FLUITT and wife, JOY FLUITT, Plaintiffs vs. HAROLD McCANN and BILL LEON WRIGHT, Defendants

CITATION BY PUBLICATION THE STATE OF TEXAS,

TO BILL LEON WRIGHT, One of the defendants in the above styled and numbered cause:

You are hereby commanded to appear before the 121st Judicial District Court of Hockley County, Texas, to be held at the courthouse of said County in the City of Levelland, Hockley County, Texas, at or before 10:00 A.M. on the first Monday after the expiration of forty two (42) days from the date of issuance hereof; that is to say, at or before 10:00 A.M. of Monday the 20 day of July, 1970, and answer the petition of W. O. FLUITT and wife, JOY FLUITT, plaintiffs in Cause No. 6226 styled W. O. FLUITT and wife, JOY FLUITT vs HAROLD McCANN and BILL LEON WRIGHT, Defendants, in which the following persons are Plaintiffs: W. O. FLUITT and wife, JOY FLUITT, and the following persons are Defendants: HAROLD McCANN and BILL LEON WRIGHT, which petition was filed in said court on the 3 day of March, 1970, and the nature of which suit is as follows:

For damages, for bodily injury and property damages arising out of an automobile collision occurring on or about March 10, 1968, on State Highway 116 about four or five miles west of Smyer, Texas.

If this citation is not served within ninety (90) days after date of its issuance, it shall be returned unserved.

Witness, Ruby Beebe Williams, Clerk of 121st Judicial District Court of Hockley County, Texas.

Given under my hand and seal of office of said court at office in the City of Levelland, Texas, this 1st day of June, 1970.

Ruby Beebe Williams, Clerk of 121st District Court Hockley County, Texas

(SEAL)

Issued this 1st day of June, 1970.

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CARD OF THANKS

Thanks to the Fire Department for finishing the sewerage for us and thanks to everyone for the flowers and cards. Thanks to the Church of Christ, Walt's Cafe and the Ropes Food Store for the basket of fruit. Thanks to the people for seeing after the garden.

Mr. and Mrs. James Miller Mr. and Mrs. Donnie Suter Mr. and Mrs. John Bain Mr. and Mrs. Ray Suter

BILL McCORMICK MAKES DEAN'S HONOR ROLL

Bill McCormick made the Dean's Honor Roll last semester at Texas Tech University. He is now attending the summer semester.

Bill is the son of Mr. and Mrs. C. T. McCormick.

HALLS HAVE VISITORS

Mr. and Mrs. Monte Fowler and children of Euless visited last weekend in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hall.

Cheryl Fowler remained for a two week visit with her grandparents.

GO FISHING

Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Price and Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Rasberry enjoyed a fishing trip to White River over the weekend.

ON VACATION

Water Superintendent and City Secretary Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Kimberlin and family are on vacation this week. The City Hall is closed, and Jim Miller is tending to the water.

RETURN HOME

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Jimison have returned home for awhile from Lake Texoma.

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Miss Beth Gresham, Stephen Gwinn Wed



Miss Carol Beth Gresham and Mr. Stephen Earl Gwinn exchanged double ring wedding vows at 8:00 p.m. Saturday, June 6, 1970, in the First Assembly of God Church in Levelland with Rev. Charles Gibson, pastor officiating, and the Rev. Haskell Rogers, District Superintendent of the Assemblies of God, and former pastor, assisting.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Erlan Gresham of Route 1, Levelland. Parents of the groom are Mr. and Mrs. Howard Gwinn of Stanton, Texas.

The ceremony was performed before an archway covered with greenery, wrought iron candleabra entwined with daisies and greenery held yellow wedding tapers.

The bride, given in marriage by her father, wore a formal length gown of peau-d'ange, lace and organza, fashioned with a shallow, scooped neckline, long lace petal point sleeves. The empire bodice was lace, and scattered lace applique accented the front of the 'A' line skirt which extended into a bouffant chapel-length train with scattered lace motif across the back of the train. A bow and tiny covered buttons accented the back. A matching forward cluster of lace petals accented with pearls and crystal held an elbow length bridal veil of imported illusion. She carried a bouquet of pale yellow roses surrounding a white orchid.

The tradition of something old, new, borrowed and blue was carried out by the bride's wearing her mother's wedding ring; something new was a tiny pearl necklace given her by the groom; a handkerchief was borrowed from the groom's mother; and the blue garter was a gift from a friend of the bride.

Candles were lighted by Darrell Gresham, brother of the bride, and Dannie Gwinn, brother of the groom.

Miss Mary Lynn Gresham of Lubbock attended her sister as Maid of Honor, with Misses Judy Gwinn of Stanton, sister of the groom, Donna Edwards, cousin of the bride, Tahoka, and Paula McCormick, Ropesville serving as bridesmaids.

The attendants were attired in formal-length gowns of yellow peau-de-soie fashioned with empire waist lines accented by bow and streamers of moss-green ribbons. Sleeves and skirt overlays were yellow organza. Their shoulder-length veils of yellow illusion were held by bows of moss-green satin. They carried votive candles surrounded by bouquets of daisies.

Miss Patti Jo Lewis, wearing a gown and veil identical to those of the bridesmaids, served as flower girl. She carried a lace basket of daisies. Scott Gresham of Kermit, cousin of the bride, was ringbearer.

Stan Martin of Matador served as best man. George Alexander of La Feria, Texas, cousin of the bride, George Price Jr. and Mike Finley of Levelland, served as groomsmen. Guests were seated by Rodney Jones and Lynn Searcy, both of Levelland, Tom Alexander, Brownfield, cousin of the bride, and Mike Lee of Spur, cousin of the groom.

Music was provided by Mrs. Don Gresham singing "The Twelfth of Never", "Walk Hand in Hand", and "One Hand, One Heart". She was accompanied by Judy Ward, Levelland, on the organ.

Misses Pat Locke of Buena Park, California and Susan Redman of Ropesville registered guests. Following the ceremony a reception was hosted by the bride's parents in the Fellowship Hall. A four tier wedding cake and yellow punch were served by Misses Martha Smith, Ropesville, Iva Hobbs and Ronda Cole of Ropesville, and June Gibson of Levelland. The bride's table was centered by a candleabra holding yellow candles surrounded by yellow rose. Appointments were crystal and silver. Miss Starla Gresham, cousin of the bride, gave out rice bags of yellow net tied with green ribbons.

Miss Shirleen Butner of Ropes played piano selections throughout the reception. For a wedding trip to the Dallas, Fort Worth area the bride wore a lime green dress fashioned with an empire waistline, shirred bodice, and long full sleeves. Her accessories were of matching green, and her corsage was the orchid from her bridal bouquet.

Mrs. Gwinn is a 1970 graduate of Ropes High School. Gwinn is a graduate of Levelland High School, and attended South Plains College. He is employed by Furr's Super markets.

NEW AGENT NAMED TO HOCKLEY COUNTY EXTENSION STAFF

LEVELLAND - A new assistant county home demonstration agent will join the Hockley County Extension staff on June 21.

She is Miss Gail O'Neal, according to a joint announcement by Hockley County Judge Hulon L. Moreland and Mrs. Aubrey W. Russell of Lubbock, district home demonstration agent with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service.

Miss O'Neal replaces Mrs. Norma Davis who resigned on May 31.

The new agent is a native of Plains and is a graduate of Texas Tech University with a B.S. degree in home economics education. Miss O'Neal is a member of the American Home Economics Association. She served as an apprentice home demonstration agent in Yoakum County during the summer of 1969.

During her youth, she was actively engaged in 4-H Club work in Yoakum County.

She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James A. O'Neal of Bronco.

Miss O'Neal will be working with Hockley County Extension Agents Bill Taylor, Mrs. Jewel Robinson and Ronald Stovall in conducting adult and 4-H educational programs.

A NOTE OF THANKS

Carol, Brian, and I wish to say a heartfelt thanks to our friends in Ropesville who helped out recently with a monetary gift, when our belongings were destroyed by the Lubbock tornado. It simply proves what I have firmly believed for two years - that some of the finest folks in the world live in Ropesville, Texas. We shall always remember you with fondness.

John Drawhorn

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CONGRATULATIONS TO -

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Gene Glenn on birth of a son born at 4:05 p.m. Friday in West Texas Hospital in Lubbock.

He weighed 5 pounds and 1 ounce and has been named Kevin Keith. Mrs. Glenn returned home, but Kevin had to remain in the hospital for a few days until the desired weight is attained. This is the couple's first child.

Maternal grandmother is Mrs. Isla Etheridge of Ropesville. Paternal grandfather is C. F. Glenn of Levelland. Mrs. W. H. Wilkison is the maternal great-grandmother.

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**WHATSOEVER THINGS**

by Donald E. Wildmon

We humans can put some things on the books and then forget about them easier than we realize. Take the case of what happened over in London. Britain's Law Commission came up with a list of recommendations for repeal of all laws "that cannot positively be shown to perform a useful function." Heading the list was "An act for the attainment of several persons guilty of the horrid murder of his late sacred Majesty King Charles the First." And Charles I was executed in 1649.

Yep, we are slow about removing things from the books sometimes. Take church rolls, for instance. They contain more names on them than perhaps any other time in history. Yet when you try to match those names with people actually doing their part in the work of the church, you come up kinda short—and amazed!

A recent article stated that in an average church one third of its members were active with regularity, one third were "occasional" in relationship to their vows, and one third ignored their responsibility to the church completely. I guess that that is about par for the course.

Pick up an average church roll and you will find names there that would surprise those who have been life-long members of the church. Recently a minister was asking a member about a name on the roll that he was having difficulty locating. "Preacher," said the faithful member, "I have been active here for thirty years and I don't know who that is."

Maybe we should approach those who are "members" in name only and ask them to remove their name from the roll. This has been tried occasionally in the past. Most of the time those whose names are on the roll but whose hearts aren't in the church get very upset. I guess

that if one has their name on a roll here it is a kind of insurance policy that their name will be on the Roll Up There.

But those who fit this category about names on the roll and never supporting the church aren't the only ones who must bear the blame. A great part — maybe the largest part — falls on the shoulders of active church people who refuse to make church membership a serious and meaningful experience. We "soft-pedal" this thing of church membership and the result is that for more than half the membership it is a second-rate affair.

That's the difference between us and Him. He never toned it down, never lowered the standards, never offered it cheaply. He never had more than a handful, but He changed the world. We have a roll full and cannot change our local communities. He reminded them how great the cost, we tell them it is free.

If I had my name on the roll and didn't intend to live up to my vows I would take it off. And I believe I would begin to make church membership meaningful again by explaining the cost. Why? Because His way is so much superior to ours.

**FIVE STAR FEATURES**

**HAVE VISITORS**

Recent visitors in the home of Mrs. Isla Etheridge and Mrs. W. H. Wilkison were her sister-in-laws, Mr. and Mrs. John Hogue of Long Beach, California, and Mrs. A. C. Tapp of Lubbock.

**ABOUT THE SAME**

Ray Suter, who was carried to the Brownfield Hospital last week suffering from a heart attack, is reported about the same. He is allowed visitors, but only one person at a time, with a two minute limit.

**RECEIVES 4-H RECOGNITION**



Roy Carpenter of Ropesville was given the Texas 4-H Youth Development Foundation Adult Leader Recognition Award at the state 4-H Roundup, June 3-4. At left is Dr. John E. Hutchison, director of the Texas Agricultural Extension Service and on the right is Nathan Donsky of San Angelo, a trustee of the Texas 4-H Youth Development Foundation. The roundup was held at Texas A&M University.

**ON DENTAL CARE**

In the past, most people have gotten their first impression of the dentist and the need for dental care when a trip to the dentist's office became necessary to treat a disease of the teeth or gums. That first impression may soon be changed for hundreds of children through the utilization of a new service now being planned by the Dental Health Division of the Texas State Department of Health.

Dr. Carlos Lozano hopes to have two state financed mobile dental health clinic trailers in operation by the beginning of the school year — one designed as a prevention unit for use by the state and the other as a dental care unit for the City of Houston. The trailers are designed to be primarily used for the benefit of children and indigent patients. Dr. Lozano feels that prevention is increasingly becoming an important function of the dentist, and more effort will have to be generated in that area.

One of the state financed trailers, now in the planning stage, will go to the City of Houston for use in conjunction with their Model Cities program. The Houston trailer will be a treatment facility to be located in indigent neighborhoods. This trailer, 12 feet wide by 60 feet long, will be fully equipped with the latest and most modern dental health equipment. It will have two regular size dental chairs and one dental hygiene chair for children. This facility will be for the treatment of adults as well as children. It will also include x-ray equipment, a pedodontic chair, private conference and health education rooms, and a small dental laboratory. This mobile facility will require one full-time dentist, seven part time den-

tists to assist in the operations of the clinic, one dental hygienist, and three assistants.

The other mobile clinic now on the drawing board will be used primarily as a prevention unit to work with local school districts to demonstrate oral hygiene and self care methods to the children. This problem has been much neglected in the past. Dr. Lozano says that most children are not taught by their parents how to properly take care of their teeth, and the proper care techniques have not received adequate attention in the schools. This prevention unit will be used primarily on school grounds. It will be put into service in Region 7 of the State Health Department in East Texas, with headquarters in Tyler.

**NEW PASTOR**

We welcome to Ropes the Rev. and rs. Carrol Jones, new pastor of the Ropes United Methodist Church. They moved here this week from Temple.

**GOOD ONIONS**

We have been enjoying good fresh onions out of Emra Wallings garden. Now he's fencing it in.

**API GRANTS SCHOLARSHIPS TO SOUTH PLAINS COLLEGE**

The American Petroleum Institute has granted two \$250 scholarships to South Plains College for the 1970-71 school year. Interested individuals may request an application from Dean Frank Hunt, Technical Vocational Division, South Plains College. The API has stipulated these eligibility requirements:

1. Parents must be connected in some way with the oil industry.
  2. Student will major in some area beneficial to the petroleum industry.
- Deadline for applications will be July 15, 1970. Awards will be made by August 1, 1970.

**ROPE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT SCHOOL CALENDAR FOR THE YEAR 1970-71 FIRST SEMESTER**

- August 17, 18, 19, 20, 21 — Inservice Meetings
- August 24 — First Day of Classes
- August 24 - October 2 — First Six Weeks
- October 5 - November 13 — Second Six Weeks
- November 15 - December 22 — Third Six Weeks
- November 26, 27 — Thanksgiving
- December 22 — Semester Exams
- December 23 — Christmas Holidays Begin
- December 23 — Work Day
- January 3 — Christmas Holidays End
- TOTAL FIRST SEMESTER:**
- 85 School Days
- 6 Teacher Work Days
- 9 Holidays
- SECOND SEMESTER:**
- January 4 — First Day of Classes
- January 4 - February 12 — Fourth Six Weeks
- February 15-March 26 — Fifth Six Weeks
- March 26-May 21 — Sixth Six Weeks
- April 12 - April 16 — Easter
- May 20 — Jr. High Graduation
- May 21 — High School Graduation
- May 24, 25, 26, 27 — Work Days
- TOTAL SECOND SEMESTER:**
- 95 School Days
- 4 Teacher Work Days
- 5 Holidays
- GRAND TOTAL SCHOOL YEAR:**
- 180 School Days
- 10 Teacher Work Days
- 14 Holidays
- Students will not attend school on work days.
- Days of Instruction 180
- Inservice Meetings and Work Days 10
- Total Days 190

ST. LOUIS — Current research status of key investigations into diabetes will be revealed when the American Diabetes Association holds its Thirtieth Annual Meeting in St. Louis. In the June 13 and 14 Scientific Sessions, fifty-seven original papers were given, along with the Banting Memorial Lecture. Moreover, the printed program included abstracts of 83 additional investigations.

The impressive total reflects the growing interest today in the complex field of diabetes. Dr. Robert C. Hardin, Association President, reports: "Never has research on diabetes been more intense, and never has the promise of research break through in the future been brighter."

Those who attended heard the latest hypotheses and laboratory findings on a very wide range of subjects — all related to diabetes.

The following examples show the diversity:

— Prolonged exposure to low-pressure, high oxygen atmosphere of a space ship can cause the blood sugar levels of astronauts to rise.

— The membrane that surrounds each tiny blood capillary is usually thicker in the diabetic than in the nondiabetic. Too, the membrane tends to thicken as the diabetic grows older.

— Accumulation of sugar alcohol — a substance similar to blood sugar (glucose)—in the nerves may be the primary cause of the nerve disease called diabetic neuropathy.

— When control of diabetes is poor the white corpuscles may lose their ability to ingest and kill infection-causing bacteria.

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**POLITICAL ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The following political announcements are made subject to the Democratic Primaries:

For State Senator District No. 28  
**H. J. "Doc" BLANCHARD**

District Clerk  
**RUBY BEEBE WILLIAMS** (re-election)

County Judge  
**HULON L. MORELAND** (Second Elective Term)

County Clerk  
**RAYMOND O. DENNIS** (re-election)

For County Treasurer:  
**Inetha Cooke** (re-election)

For County School Superintendent  
**DAVIS POUNDS** (re-election)

For Justice of the Peace Precinct I  
**M. L. ROBERTS** (re-election)

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**ROPEVILLE CHURCH OF CHRIST**

Schedule of Services:

Sunday Bible Classes:	10:00 A.M.
Worship Hour:	10:50 A.M.
Pew Packer's Class:	5:40 P.M.
Evening Service:	6:00 P.M.
Wednesday Ladies Class	9:30 A.M.
Wednesday Bible Classes:	9:30 P.M.

**LITTLE LEAGUE SCHEDULE 1970 ROPES LITTLE LEAGUE PARK**

Team Listed First Is The Home Team — First Game 6:00 P.M.

Date	First Game	Second Game
	<b>SECOND HALF</b>	
June 19	Cubs vs. Yankees	Red Sox vs. Dodgers
June 23	Dodgers vs. Yankees	Red Sox vs. Cubs
June 26	Red Sox vs. Yankees	Dodgers vs. Cubs
June 30	Yankees vs. Cubs	Dodgers vs. Red Sox
July 3	NO GAMES SCHEDULED — INDEPENDENCE DAY	
July 7	Cubs vs. Red Sox	Yankees vs. Dodgers
July 10	Cubs vs. Dodgers	Yankees vs. Red Sox
July 14	Red Sox vs. Dodgers	Cubs vs. Yankees
July 17	Dodgers vs. Yankees	Red Sox vs. Cubs

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SUNDAY SCHOOL	9:45 A.M.
MORNING WORSHIP	10:45 A.M.
EVENING NYPS	6:00 P.M.
EVENING SERVICE	6:45 P.M.
PRAYER GROUPS	
MEN — TUESDAY	6:00 A.M.
WOMEN — TUESDAY	9:00 A.M.
FAMILY PRAYER — WEDNESDAY	7:30 P.M.

**ROPE CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE**  
WELCOME TO ALL

Dave K. Powers, Minister Elwood & Timmons

Randy Smith, Joe Allen, Rev. and Mrs. David Powers, Shaun and Gina returned Friday from Youth Camp at Camp Arrowhead, Glen Rose, Texas. Rev. Jim Morsch, pastor of LakeView Park Church of the Nazarene was special speaker. Boy's and Girl's Camp-July 6-10. Campmeeting - August 10-16.

Word was received this week that the Ropes Church of the Nazarene gave 12.6 percent of its income to World Missions. They received a special certificate and two gold seals to be placed on it. This is the fifth consecutive year, the first to be over ten percent. To God be the Glory.

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Evening Worship	6:00

Don McWhorter, Pastor



**Specials For**  
**Thursday, Friday and Saturday**

**FINEST QUALITY MEATS**

**Fryers, lb. .29**

ALL MEAT	POUND	COOK OUT END CUT	POUND	BABY BEEF	POUND
BOLOGNA	.59	PORK CHOPS	.59	LIVER	.39

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TEXAS	POUND	
CABBAGE	.09	
TEXAS	FRESH EARS	
CORN, 6 FOR	.49	
FIRM HEADS	EACH	
LETTUCE	.15	
	POUND DELICIOUS	
APPLES	.19	
	POUND TEXAS SANTA ROSA	
PLUMS	.33	

AMERICAN	POUND	ALL BRANDS	POUND PACKAGE
CHEESE	.79	BACON	.89
FRESH	POUND	ROUND	POUND
GROUND ROUND	.79	STEAK	.98

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ORANGE JUICE	.19
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