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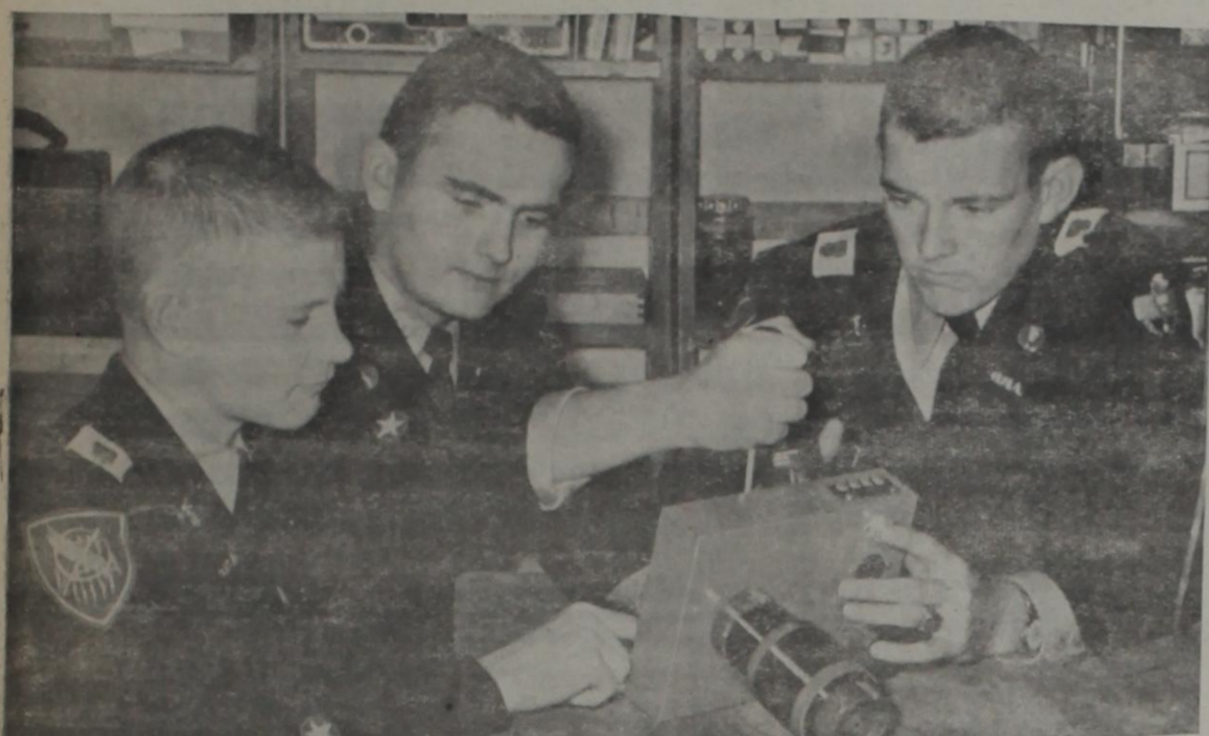
# THE ROPES PLAINSMAN

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IN RADIO CLUB — Johnny T. Snider, left, son of Mr. and Mrs. Crate Snider, Rt. 1, Ropesville, is an active member of the radio club at Oklahoma Military Academy, Claremore, Okla., and takes his turn as an announcer on the campus radio station, KAOS. He is a high school freshman at the Academy. Others in the picture are Guy Stephens, Oklahoma City, and Clyde E. Brown, Sapulpa, Oklahoma.



ABOVE — Raymond Dennis, present county clerk, who is seeking election to his first full term in office. Raymond was elected to fill out the unexpired term of Mrs. H. Clingan, who resigned.



ABOVE — Davis Pounds, who has announced for re-election to second term as county school superintendent of Hockley County. Davis has spent more than twenty years in school work and has proven himself more than capable since going into office.



ABOVE — Louis Owens, who has announced as a candidate for re-election of second term as county judge of Hockley County. Louis is a life-long Democrat and has supported the party candidates since he has been able to vote.

## Farmers Must Pay Self-Employment Tax

A majority of farmers and ranchers in this area must pay a federal self-employment tax for 1961, John J. Sloan, Administrative Officer, Internal Revenue Service, Lubbock, Texas, revealed today.

He said the rate of self-employment tax for the taxable year of 1961 is 4 1-2%, and is in addition to any income tax payable.

Under the federal Social Security law, the IRS representative said, Social Security taxes are paid by employees and their employers, and the self-employment tax must be paid by persons who are self-employed. These taxes are used to pay old-age, survivors and disability benefits under the federal Social Security program.

He explained a self-employed person is one who operates his own business, and that a farmer or rancher who operates a farm or ranch, either on his own land or land rented from someone else, is therefore considered self-employed.

This is true, he said, even though he may employ some one else to do the work and does not live on the farm or ranch himself.

He reminded farmers they must file federal income tax returns and pay any self-employment tax due, even though they owe no income tax.

Ordinarily, he added, no self-employment tax is due unless net earnings from self-employment amount to \$400 or more for the year.

However, he continued, farmers who have actual net earnings from the operation of their farms of less than \$400 may, under certain circumstances, elect to pay the self-employment tax and may qualify to receive benefits under the Social Security system.

Farmers with tax questions should have a copy of the free official publication, the "Farmers' Tax Guide". The Guide is available from Agricultural agents, or from the IRS office located at 1600 Nineteenth Street.

## R. O. Dennis Seeking Full Time As Clerk

R. O. (Raymond) Dennis, 39, has announced his candidacy for reelection, seeking his first full term as county clerk.

Dennis won the office in a special election on November 8, 1960, to fill out the unexpired term of Mrs. Grace Clingan, who resigned to marry and move from the city. He took office on November 15.

A native of Ellis County, Dennis grew up near Dallas, graduating from high school at Cedar Hill. He served forty months in the U. S. Air Force, much of this time overseas in the South Pacific.

He moved to Hockley County after discharge from the service in 1945, farming in the Arnett community until his election.

Dennis and wife are parents of five children. Melva 17, Connie 15, Ray 10, Darrel 9, and Gwen 6.

Dennis is a member of the Fifth Street Baptist Church, and the Levelland Lions Club, which he is currently serving as treasurer.

## Dick Cooke For Re-election

Dick Cooke called the Plainsman Tuesday and said, "I am head over heels in work and do not have the time to go to Ropes, so please place my name in your column as a candidate for re-election to the office of County Treasurer of Hockley County, subject to the action of the Democratic primaries." Dick is making the race for his second term in office.

## Olen Petty For Re-election

Olen Petty, State Representative from this district, authorizes the Plainsman this week to place his name in our announcement column as a candidate for re-election to the office he now holds, subject to the action of the Democratic primaries. Olen is now in Austin attending a special session of the legislature.

## R. O. Dennis Visits Ropes

R. O. Dennis was among those in Ropes Monday. Mr. Dennis was here for the purpose of placing his name in the announcement column of the Plainsman, telling the folks of this community he is in the race for re-election to his first full term as county clerk.

## Over 41,000 Bales Cotton Ginned in Ropes Territory

### Olen Petty Tells Of Doings in Austin

Representative Olen Petty As this report is being written the House of Representatives is hard at work on Small Loan legislation. The Small Loan industry has been needing legislation of the State have recognized for many years. The people this need by the passage of a constitutional amendment in late 1950's. There has been proof presented to the Banks and Banking Committee that in some instances the interest rate has run as high as 567 per cent on a small loan. Other facts point out that a person has borrowed \$115 and paid back \$164.75 for a short term loan. These facts and many others show that there definitely is a great need for regulation. It has been impossible to get a regulation law on this industry passed so far this Legislative year (1961). During the last sessions of the Legislature the House has passed two bills but neither have become law. I hope that this time we will be able to put a law on the books.

In another activity this week the House has passed to the Senate a bill concerning abandoned property. The bill is primarily aimed at protecting the depositors of dormant accounts. This will put a stop to the large banks absorbing dormant accounts in their deposits. This has been a busy week in the House and the trend points to the fact that efforts are being made for speedy action on the Legislation that has been laid out for action of this special session. As I have done in each report submitted to you, again let me plead with you to let me know your views on these important pieces of legislation. I am your representative and your views are certainly appreciated.

The bill concerning the Farm-to-Market Road program will be considered this week and next and I know that each citizen of our District is interested and affected by this program. Please let me hear from you.

Olen Petty

## 4-H Club to Meet On January 23rd

The Ropes 4-H Club will meet on Tuesday, January 23rd, in the Community Building at 4 o'clock. This meeting was formerly scheduled for January 22nd, but was changed to the above date.

Benny White, of the Lyndegar Cooperative Electric, of Tahoka, will be present and will give a demonstration on the making of extension cords. All members are urged to be present.

## T. O. Petty Here Monday

T. O. Petty, of Levelland, was in Ropes Monday looking after business, and while here handed us authorization from his son, Olen, to place his name in our announcement column as a candidate for re-election as state representative.

While the price of cotton started off at around 32c per pound, it later dropped to around 29c—it is stated that this later price was obtained after rain and snow had damaged the crop. With the latter price there is not a great deal of margin for profit, as one farmer tells us that he has to sell for above 30c per pound before much profit is realized. There may be spots where there is still some cotton in the fields, but if there is it is spotted and most of the crop has been gathered and hauled in, and ginned. We might add, too, that the increase in the number of bales this year was also brought about by an increase of 16 per cent in acreage.

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## In Ruidosa Last Weekend

Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Sims and children were in Ruidosa, N. Mex., last weekend where they report the skiing was just perfect. They stated that there snow on the ground, and it was about fourteen inches of snowed about six inches during the time they were there. They also stated there were about 500 people enjoying the advantages of the resort area.

## O. V. Fuller Attends Meeting in Austin

O. V. Fuller was in Austin from Wednesday to Friday of last week attending the mid-winter meeting of school superintendents.

He says it was as cold as all get-out while he was in the capitol city.

Topping all previous records by more than a thousand bales the seven gins in the Ropes territory reported Wednesday that they had ginned 41,455 bales of cotton. This is what might be termed a bumper crop and it has been made possible by a seasonable year, irrigation and fertilizer. As a matter of fact, this crop tops any crop that was made before government regulations cut the acreage, with spots averaging from a bale to a bale and a half, and in some instances, two bales to the acre.

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## Pink and Blue Shower Jan. 25

A Pink and Blue come-and-go shower will be held for Mrs. Huey Darby on Thursday, January 25th, in the home of Mrs. James Collins. The hours are from 2:30 to 4:30, and everyone is invited.

## Ruby Beebe For Re-election

Mrs. Ruby Beebe has authorized the Plainsman to place her name in our announcement column as a candidate for re-election to the office of District Clerk of Hockley County.

Mrs. Beebe stated that she will have a statement to make at a later date, and said, "It has been a pleasure to serve the people of this county, and I would love to continue in office, promising to give to each and everyone the best service I am capable of."

## Mrs. Bert Eads Passes Away

Many folks of the Ropes community will learn with sorrow and regret of the passing of Mrs. Bert Eads, who died at 5:25 on Monday in the Methodist Hospital in Lubbock.

Mrs. Eads, 50, was reared in Ropes and attended Ropes schools, being the former Miss Dessie Maurine Williams, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Williams. Jim, now deceased, had his home on the property now owned by Jim Martin in north Ropes, and had a wholesale and retail gasoline and oil business on the lots now occupied by the Texaco Station.

Funeral services were held on Wednesday in Levelland, from the First Methodist Church with the pastor, Rev. J. B. Sharp, bringing the oration. Interment was in the City of Levelland Cemetery. She had been a resident of the Levelland community for 27 years.

She is survived by her husband; a daughter, Mrs. Gall Turnipseed; her mother, Mrs. H. A. Turner of Lubbock and a granddaughter.

## School Dismissed During Cold Snap

The Ropes school was dismissed on Thursday of last week during the cold snap when the water at the elementary building froze up, and later, when the pumps of the city wells were frozen and the entire city was without water.

O. V. Fuller said, "You can not run schools without water. However, we now have all the pipes unfrozen and everything is running nicely."

He also stated that the enrollment had increased since the Christmas holidays, it now being:

Elementary	282
Junior High	168
High School	98

This makes a total of 548, exclusive of the Colored school which has an enrollment of about 40 pupils.

## Jesse Littlefield Visits in Ropes

Jesse Littlefield, who is stationed in Louisiana, spent the weekend in Ropes with his wife and parents.

## Attesnds Lodge In Lubbock

Mrs. B. J. Thomas and Mrs. Bob Thomas were in Lubbock Monday night attending the Rebekah Lodge.

## NOTICE

For piano lessons, call Mrs. B. J. Thomas at 3032, Ropesville.

**RETURN FROM CALIFORNIA**

C. D. Bond and three sisters of Lubbock, Mrs. Arna Casey, Mrs. Bennie Sanford, and Mrs. Kathryn Kimble, went to Van Nuys, California last weekend where they visited a brother, Cecil Bond, who is critically ill. Another brother, Curtis Bond, who lives in San Leandro, California, also came to the home of Cecil to be

with the family.

**WILLIE O. LEWIS IS PROMOTED TO PRIVATE FIRST CLASS**

Giessen, Germany (AHT-NC) — Willie O. Lewis, 22, son of Mrs. Lena W. Lewis, Route 1, Ropesville, Texas, recently was promoted to private first class in Giessen, Germany, where he is a member of the 92nd Artillery.

Lewis, a cannoneer in the artillery's Battery B, entered the Army in March 1961 and arrived overseas in August. He completed basic training at Fort Hood.

The 1957 Ropesville High School graduate was engaged in farming prior to entering the Army.

**EDDIE HAMMACK WRITES A LETTER**

Dear Sir: Enclosed is check for the Plainsman, and also I want to place a want ad in the paper.

Eddie Hammack. (Mr. Hammack now lives in San Angelo, was once a resident of Ropes and in business here. He is well known to many of our people.)

**JOE ALLEN NOW HAS TEXACO STATION**

Joe Allen, we have heretofore failed to state, now is operating the Texaco Service Station in Ropes.

**NOTICE**

If you want to use the Community Building, please contact Mrs. Tommy Littlefield so that a date can be set for its use.

If you do not contact Mrs. Littlefield, there may be others who have the building rented for the night you want. Her phone number is 3811.

**FOR RENT**

Anyone interested in renting my building on Main Street in Ropesville, write me: Eddie Hammack Garage 902 Caddo, Phone 653-3583, San Angelo, Texas.

**POLITICAL ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The Plainsman is authorized to make the following announcements for public office subject to the action of the Democratic Primaries: For State Representative:

**OLEN PETTY**  
(Second Term)  
For District Clerk:  
**MRS. RUBY BEEBE**  
(Re-election)

For County School Superintendent:  
**DAVIS POUNDS**  
(Second Term)  
For County Judge:  
**LOUIS OWENS**  
(Second Term)

For County Treasurer:  
**A. S. (Dick) COOKE**  
(Re-election second term)  
For County Clerk:  
**RAYMOND DENNIS**  
(First Elective Full Term)  
For Justice of Peace, Precinct One:  
**M. L. ROBERTS**  
(Second Term)

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suffering (and many times much suffering is involved) with the way-ward husband. Her patience out-lasts that of all others, why? She loves him. Love beareth all things, believeth all things, hopeth all things. Love is understanding and is willing to endure while others learn and grow to maturity. Jesus has taught us to, "Love thy neighbor as thy self." When we will have learned this and have come to possess this great principle of life, our way of life will be so much better. We will be long-suffering toward one another as we will want them to be long-suffering toward us. We can do all the great things of life and have not love, and it will not profit us a thing. "Love suffereth long". THINK on these things.

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<b>TAMALES</b>	<b>.33</b>
SHURFINE	303 SIZE CAN
<b>SPINACH</b>	<b>2 FOR .25</b>
SHURFINE	303 SIZE CAN
<b>HOMINY</b>	<b>3 FOR .25</b>
WOLF	NO. 2 SIZE CAN
<b>CHILI</b>	<b>.59</b>
SUNSWET DRIED	POUND
<b>PRUNES</b>	<b>.33</b>
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