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WE TRAVEL

LONGHORN CAVERNS PART XII

This, the story of Longhorn Caverns, brings us to the end of interesting points on our trip.

The Longhorn Caverns are under state supervision and located west of Austin. These caverns are considered third largest in the United States, and draw thousands of tourists each year—it is the one place you don't want to miss on any trip you take in that part of the State.

Leaving Austin before the noon hour, we prepared our lunch near Inks Dam and drove on to the caverns in the afternoon. Through the wooded, broken terrain, we followed a winding, tortuous road, which at times lifted one over and above the surrounding hills, only to send you rashing down into a valley, skirting canyons and overhanging cliffs to emerge again on a level prairie.

As we traveled over this broken country and watched the trees march away from us, we thought this must be a paradise for rattlesnakes and coyotes—for the first time in many a year we saw buzzards, scavengers of the air, circling in the blue—hoping, we suppose, that our puddle jumper would go over a cliff and they could have some fresh meat.

And, was it hot—blistering out in the sun, but cool in the shade.

Swinging around a sharp curve, we were at the Caverns. Parking the car beside a deep canyon which contained huge boulders as if cast helter skelter by a giant hand, we stepped from the coolness of the auto into the heat.

There was no breeze—it was as if some one had opened the door of hades and the heat rising up to torment the living.

The administration building is of native stone, with a stairway at the back leading to the roof where there is an observation tower. Within the building it was cool and, as in such places, there were curios, postcards, a metal stamping machine, and other little gadgets to get the loose change. In another room was a concession stand, and we thought a coke might buoy up our spirits, so we stepped over to the box and a pert maiden, with a little too much paint on her cheeks, passed us out a foaming bottle that was almost as hot as the weather outside.

It was then we decided to go back to the car and get a drink of ice water—we had a big can of it stowed between the seats. I guess the car had been closed about thirty minutes. As we opened the door, an enterprising bug ducked inside.

He hit the windshield twice and tumbled over dead—he was so thoroughly baked you could smell him cooking. A wasp, with no more judgment than the bug, came humming in, and one touch of the death-dealing windshield was enough, he was a smoking ruin.

While we had no intention

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Funeral Services Are Held For Mrs. Pierson

It is with a feeling of deepest sorrow that we chronicle the death of one of our pioneer citizens, Mrs. S. B. Pierson, which sad event took place on Saturday of last week.

Mrs. Pierson was the former Miss Bertie Berry, born in Owensboro, Kentucky, February 15, 1881. Later, with her parents, she moved to Benjamin, where she met and married S. B. Pierson on December 12, 1900. Later they moved to Aspermont where they engaged in the furniture and hardware business, having stores both in Aspermont and Jayton.

In 1923 Mr. Pierson established the First State Bank in Ropesville, and continued in the banking business for a long number of years.

In early childhood Mrs. Berry took Christ as her per-

sonal Saviour, and became a member of the Christian church, walking as near as possible in the footsteps of the Lowly Nazarene, giving of her time and substance in the promotion of the speaking of the gospel of Christ, and in helping to care for the poor and needy—indeed, her crown will be studded with stars.

Funeral services were held from the First Baptist Church in Ropes with the pastor, Rev. John Cole, delivering the funeral oration, after which she was laid to rest beside her husband in the City of Lubbock cemetery.

She is survived by two brothers, D. C. Berry of Lovington, New Mexico, and J. W. Berry of Ropesville, and a number of neices and nephews.

ROPE TROMPS WHITHARRAL

Friday, November 13th, was a cold and dismal night for the Whitharral football team and their fans. The Ropes Eagles, winless in three previous district games, rose up to defeat the team that could have clinched a tie for the District Championship and the undisputed right to represent the district in the playoffs, with a win over the Eagles. Whitharral had beaten Whiteface earlier, and this would have made them the district representative had the two teams tied.

James Zorns, co-captain and fullback for the Eagles, was the outstanding offensive and defensive star of the game. He was all over the field with his sure tackling on defense, and the spark of the Eagles on the offense. He made four touchdowns and four extra points for a total of 28 of the 30 points scored by the Eagles. Whitharral scored 8 points. Their star, Donnie Polk, ran the touchdown over. He had a runback of a punt cancelled that would have been worth 6 points, but a team mate clipped on the play.

The Eagles did a fine job as a team. Their tackling was sure and they were seldom tricked out of position. Polk did some fine running, but the team kept him bottled up most of the night. He was outplayed and out-gained by Zorns, who also had a 40 yard run cancelled by a penalty.

With Whitharral stopping the end runs, Coach Brown had the Eagles going for it the hard way: through the middle of the line. The Ropes backs were the difference here. Their stocky little fullback was not contained all night. With the line opening large holes, it took two, three, or more red-shirted opposing players to down him on play after play. The chilled Eagle fans yelled themselves hoarse as the greatest team effort of the year was recorded.

Players and fans alike remembered the defeat by

AMONG THE ILL

Mrs. Loyd Arant has been confined to her room during the past two weeks because of a severe cold.

Mrs. Bessie Curry has been fighting a cold all this week, and stated Tuesday she thought she was some improved.

L. A. Townsen, Santa Fe agent, was among those who has been suffering from severe colds. "At one time," said Mr. Townsen, "I thought it was going to get me down."

Mrs. E. G. Moore is, also, among the many with a severe cold, and has been confined to her room for a number of days.

Mrs. James Pierce and son, Randy, have been suffering from severe colds, and Randy was taken to a doctor for treatment. They are improved.

HARD FREEZE HITS PLAINS

One of the coldest snaps of the season blew into the South Plains Tuesday night of this week.

It is stated the thermometer dropped to 10 above.

It was, fortunately, a dry norther, and did little or no damage to the crops yet in the fields. In fact, it may have benefited in that bolls of cotton not yet open, it is believed, will now pop open and cotton gathering can be finished up in a hurry.

The cold snap drove most of the cotton pullers south, and cotton strippers are now being used to gather the remainder of the crop.

ONES TO HAVE CALLED MEETING

The Ropes Chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star will meet in called session on Friday night, November 20, for the purpose of initiation.

All officers are urged to be present, and all members are invited to attend.

News of Our Schools

School Will be Dimissed 26th For Thanksgiving

The Ropes schools will turn out for Thanksgiving on November 26th and will remain closed until the following Monday.

The Honor Society of the Ropes schools voted this past week to take on as a project to stimulate interest in scholarship and school spirit and, to this end, have asked the faculty to select each month the outstanding boy and girl.

Following the selection, they will be presented in assembly. The boy and girl picked for this month, and who were presented in assembly Wednesday, were Bruce Zorns and Priscilla Green.

The coaches have been asked to pick a boy and girl each month who are outstanding in sportsmanship, and they, too, will be presented at assembly. Up to noon Tuesday these latter two had not been chosen.

Basketball games between the Ropes girls and boys and Bledsoe boys and girls will be played here Friday night.

CORONATION PROGRAM AT BOX SUPPER (Delayed)
Master of Ceremonies: Ronnie McNabb, president of Student Council.
(Decoration Theme: Harvest Time)
Grade School

Representatives:

First Grade - Janice Jones, chosen queen, crowned by Dana Collins; Ricky Maloney.

Second Grade - Beth Gresham; Scotty Brown.

Third Grade - Georgana Snider; Kyle Lewis.

Fourth Grade - Brenda Gay Thomas; Gary Butner.

Junior High

Representatives:

Fifth Grade - Rosene Davis; Dennis Snider.

Sixth Grade - Charlotte Johnson; Johnny Robertson.

Seventh Grade - Kay Jackson, chosen queen, crowned by Sue Sosebee; Ray Witt.

Eighth Grade - Pam Searsey; Jerry Morrow.

High School:

Freshman Class - Charlotte Curry; Mike Dunavant.

Sophomore Class - Roseva Lewis, chosen queen, crowned by Cynthia Gresham; Sammy Berry.

Junior Class - Bernell Ponton; Murl Atkisson.

Senior Class - Elizabeth Forbis; Howard Timmons.

Faculty Committees:

Decorations - Mrs. Wanda Patterson, Mrs. Carolyn Brown, Miss Mary Hannaford, Mr. C. T. McCormick.

Program - Mrs. Dan Jones, Mrs. Mary Miller, Mr. Jerry Tate.

5A AND 5B GO ON FIELD TRIP
5A and 5B went on their first field trip of the year

Wednesday, October 28, 1959.

Since we had been studying rocks in Science and tobacco in Geography, we went to see these two items. The tobacco was growing on the A. P. Wilson farm at Carlisle. We saw the tobacco growing and being cured. The children were given some tobacco leaves and we teachers brought back some tobacco seed.

On the way back we went by the Foster Store to see Mr. Foster's nice rock collection. The children were each given a polished rock. The two classes were very interested in their first field trip and enjoyed it very much.

We teachers, and the two classes wish to thank all those who made the trip possible, the school, Pat Patterson, our principal, and our bus driver, Mr. Harrison.

WORKSHOP IN ELEMENTARY SCIENCE

Ropes teachers in grades one through six was joined by the Smyer elementary teachers in a one day Science Workshop at the Ropes High School Library Thursday, November 12.

Miss Chris Christopher an Robert Summers, from D. C. Heath & Company from Dallas conducted the one day session.

There is no need for elaborate science equipment in the elementary classroom. The simpler the equipment, the more fascinating science can be. For the most part, the equipment and materials should come from the pupil's homes, from the school itself, and from the community, was brought out. Asking the pupils to assume responsibility for collecting the materials and simple equipment for problems and experiments is excellent teaching procedure. The experience gained by the pupils in collecting these materials is instructive and enlightening, was further stated by the consultants.

Each teacher was ask to bring the textbook and manual for his or her particular grade level, and was shown how to best use the manual as a guide for better teaching elementary science.

The success in any science program depends largely on the teacher herself. A teacher with ingenuity will provide the ways and means to overcome many obstacles in acquiring the necessary materials and in carrying out the experiments successfully was stressed by the leaders of the workshop.

Local people assisting the consultants were: O. V. Fuller, Terry Redford and Mrs. Anna B. Odell, Curriculum coordinator. Coffee and donuts were served to those in attendance.

Several demonstrations and experiments were made and a display of supplementary materials were viewed by teachers.

Cemetery Badly in Need of Money Now

The Ropes Cemetery Association is badly in need of financial assistance now — they need donations to help keep the cemetery up.

Ennis Moore and Tyree Martin told the Plainsman: "The cemetery is in splendid condition now, but we have run out of money and unless public donations are made now we will have no money to keep it up."

This appeal goes to those who have loved ones interred in the Ropes cemetery; this appeal goes to all citizens of this community who are interested in a cemetery that is befitting in which to

place our dead — no more laudable cause has ever been placed before our people.

Here rests those who have gone on before; here rests those we love—the mothers and fathers; here rests children, husbands and wives. It is a sacred ground and should be treated as such—so, let us give and give generously that our dead may rest in pleasant surroundings.

You can make your donations at Evans & Sims, Riojas Dept. Store, Ropes Food Store, Paymaster Gin, or the Ropes Coop Gin.

SCHOOL MENU FOR NOV. 23, 24, 25

Following is the school cafeteria menu for three days next week, Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, as school turns out for Thanksgiving Wednesday afternoon.

Monday - Veal steak, new potatoes, corn, butter, hot rolls and milk.

Tuesday - Ham and cheese sandwiches, potato chips, pickles, ice cream.

Wednesday, Thanksgiving dinner - Turkey, dressing, gravy, green beans, pumpkin pie, whipped cream, milk and light bread.

McATEERS GIVEN SURPRISE PARTY

The Ropes Needle Club honored Mr. and Mrs. Ed McAteer with a surprise party, and the following attended:

Mr. and Mrs. Otto Chittwood, Mr. and Mrs. L. N. Exum and son, Mr. and Mrs. Peck Rogers, Mr. and Mrs. James Means Jr., Mrs. Nina Hayslip, Mrs. Ruby Drake, and Mrs. Jessie Thomas.

The guests visited and played dominoes and reported a very pleasant time.

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Whitharral last year when the officials were so inept that practically nothing was called all night in a rough game. This time, the officials did a superb job. They never let the game get out of hand, consequently the fans saw a hard fought clean game from start to finish. They were in on top of every play, and called violations by both teams instantly. This was a clean game by both teams. With the entire Eagle team making a great effort, Polk and Grant of the Whitharral team are both fine speedy runners. The line charged them and grabbed them before they could get up steam. for both are hard to catch in the open. Each has proven this many times in the past. Jehue Price, along with Zorns, was in the bottom of most defensive pile-ups. Curtis Means did a fine job as a defensive half-back. Both ends, Jackie Weatherly and Joe Jeffcoat, were charging in and keeping Grant and Polk in. Ronnie McNabb, senior and co-captain of the Eagles, did an outstanding job as offensive guard and defensive line backer. In fact, the entire team had one thought, "Beat Whitharral".

J. R. Smith and Charles Shannon brought a butane bottle and some stove pipe heaters to the Eagle bench. Coach Brown took advantage of this by keeping the players warm when not in the game, and sending them in fresh and warm. This helped relieve some of the discomfort of the cold.

When the game ended, with the score 30 to 8 in favor of the Eagles, the Eagle team after congratulating the Whitharral players, carried Coach Brown off the field as a symbol of his contribution to the victory.

The final season record was 4 wins, 5 losses, and 1 big tie with Meadow. With 9 starters returning and 23 lettermen, it seems that in the future the Eagles will be a tough foe. Ropes will miss two good seniors in McNabb and Zorns, as every one knows.

WE TRAVEL
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of going through the caverns, we came along for the ride, and besides the excess fat we carry around prohibits long excursions on foot, we did go down and have a look at the opening. It is situated in a rock bowl which has been hewn out by the waters over the ages, and the door to it is walled up with rock. All along the path to the door and down in the water way in front of the cavern are weeds, brush and trees—places you could hide an elephant in, and we wondered why they did not clear it off.

When one tour of people came from the caverns, a siren sounded and a second tour entered. It was then we took a comfortable seat on a rock bench in the patio and looked about us.

There was an elderly couple playing with some children while their son-in-law and daughter went through the caverns, and the lady remarked to the writer:

"We live in Port Arthur, and I want to tell you I'm ready to go home."

At that moment one of the toddlers tripped and fell and the hard floor and the lady rushed over to pick him up.

Puffing as if she had been running a race, a fat lady

came into the patio from the direction of the cave.

"I turned around at the half way mark," she explained. "That walking is for young people—why, I haven't walked two miles in the past five years."

We didn't tell her so, but we guessed it was the fat and not the years that made walking difficult.

As we said before, we did not feel up to the walk, but we had a lot of fun—the extreme heat had wilted most of the folks as it wilts the flowers, and they sat in the shade fanning themselves. Drinking half-cold soda pop, they discussed where they were going and where they were not going—and, in one case, at least, one man spoke rather harshly to his wife, which was brought about by the heat, we guess, and long days of sightseeing and travel.

My folks came out of the cavern and declared it was much like Carlsbad Caverns, but was not as large.

The literature told us that at one time Sam Bass used the cavern as a hideout, but one of the officials told us that when that statement was made someone must have been dreaming, as he didn't think Sam Bass knew such a place existed.

So, we went away from there. We drove to Temple and stayed the night. We were real thirsty, but after a dose or two of Temple water our thirst ceased. It was then we learned why beer parlors did a land office business—the drinking water

is so heavily treated with chlorine that one could hardly drink it. The proprietor of the court where we stayed informed us that the water was so heavily doctored that he did not have to add chlorine to his swimming pool.

Friday night we arrived in Dallas where our son-in-law and family spent the night with his sister, Mr. and Mrs. Don Kinder and children. Saturday morning we started home.

BROWNFIELD WSCS WILL SPONSOR TOUR OF HOUSES

The Brownfield W.S.C.S. of the First Methodist Church will sponsor a house tour November 19th.

Ronald Walsh, a student at Texas Tech in Lubbock, will speak on interior decorating in Fellowship Hall at 1004 E. Broadway.

Following his lecture several new homes will be open for inspection.

Tickets at \$1.00 may be secured at the door.

Mary Ruth Nelson, Publicity Chairman.

MRS. FLOWERS VISITS ROPES

Mrs. N. D. Flowers, nee Betty Moss, was in Ropes on Monday looking after business. She now lives in Brownfield.

FULLER'S MOTHER IS IMPROVING

The mother of O. V. Fuller, who has been seriously ill, is improving.

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The TRUE map for all men, from earth to eternity, is Christ and His gospel. Jesus said, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life: no one cometh unto the

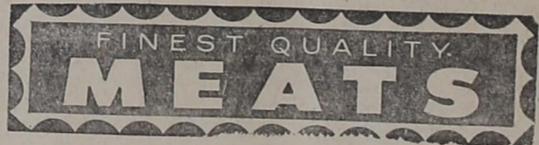
Father, but by me". Jno. 14:6. Now we will read II Jno. 9, "Whosoever goeth onward and abideth not in the teaching of Christ, hath not God: he that abideth in the teaching, the same hath both the Father and the Son". To be with the Father through eternity, one must go by Christ and His teaching. The person that abides not; goes beyond the teaching of Christ hath not God. He will never get to the Father. He will be following the wrong map. Are you following the teachings of men through a manual, discipline, creed book or Catechism or following Christ through the teaching of the New Testament and it alone? THINK on these things. You may have the wrong map!

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ROPES GARDEN CLUB MET WED.

The Ropesville Garden Club met Wednesday afternoon, November 11th, in the home of Mrs. W. W. Jones.

A beautiful dried arrangement was made by the hostess, assisted by the members. Mrs. Rosser gave a talk on transplanting.

Roll was called and minutes read. A report was given on the District Luncheon and Flower Show held at Levelland the 20th of October.

Refreshments were served to the following members:

Mmes. O. V. Fuller, Frank Sylvester, L. S. Rosser, Bob Thomas, A. M. Armstrong.

The next meeting will be with Mrs. P. L. Darby Wednesday, December 9th. The program will be on making Christmas candles, with Mrs. O. V. Fuller in charge.

ROSA ELIA AND GRACIE RIOJAS VISIT FATHER

Misses Rosa Elia and Gracie Riojas were in Ropes on Friday visiting their father, Ralph and Mrs. Riojas. They are attending Texas Tech in Lubbock.

Tom Price, former commissioner of this precinct, was in Ropes Sunday attending religious services.

Tom told the Plainsman that politics over the county are looking up and that it appeared there would be at least three or four in the commissioners race, and perhaps another in the race for sheriff.

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They accompanied their daughter, Rev. and Mrs. Murl Klink and children, that far on their return trip to their home in Pennsylvania.

ATKISSONS HAVE VISITORS

Mrs. Ruth Pace of Wellman, Mrs. Delton Caffey of Carlsbad, and Mrs. Jack Hughes and son, Kevin, also of Carlsbad, were guests in the Garnie Atkisson home last Saturday.

VISIT PARENTS IN ROPESVILLE

Mr. and Mrs. Morris Goode and baby, of Abilene, were here over the weekend visiting in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Whitlock.

THANKS

I would like to say 'thanks' to every one in this entire community for your patronage you have given to me in the years I have been operating the beauty shop here at Ropes. I've sold my shop to Pat Bradshaw, and I hope in the future you will patronize Pat as you did me.

Thanks again,
Mrs. Betty Flowers.

GIRL IS BORN

Mr. and Mrs. Ernesto Montez of Route 1, Ropesville, are the parents of a daughter born Sunday morning in a Lubbock hospital. The baby weighed 6 pounds and 10 ounces.

FOR SALE

Three houses in Ropes, on a 50 x 140 foot lot. Would take a late model pickup on deal. See D. G. Kulms, 4 miles west, 1 1/2 miles south of Ropesville. (pd3t/19)

ATTEND COUNCIL

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"We Hew to the Line—Let the Chips Fall where They May".

RUSSELLS RETURN FROM DALLAS

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Russell returned this week from Dallas where they had been looking after business.

ED SLATERS VISIT GOTCHERS

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Gotcher had as their guests Monday afternoon Mr. and Mrs. Ed Slater of near Wolfforth.

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MRS. C. LOVELESS IN HOSPITAL

Mrs. Clyde Loveless became seriously ill Monday afternoon, and about 6:00 o'clock was rushed to a Lubbock hospital for treatment.

Mansfield Thomas, son-in-law of Mrs. Loveless, told the Plainsman that she is in a serious condition suffering from a bleeding ulcer. An operation may be necessary, but they are trying to stop the bleeding before they operate. Blood transfusions have been necessary.

The many friends of the family hope for her a speedy recovery.

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MRS. COPELAND IN PLAINVIEW

Mrs. W. H. Copeland returned this week from Plainview where she had been visiting in the home of a daughter, Mr. and Mrs. L. C. O'Bannon.

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DUNAVANT IS HOME FROM JACKSBORO

A. J. (Shorty) Dunavant, who has been confined to a Jacksboro hospital for several days following a heart attack, has been returned to his home near Ropes, and is said to be improving rapidly.

Mrs. Dunavant told the Plainsman, "Shorty had been to Lancaster to visit an aged aunt and was on his way home. About eighteen miles from Jacksboro he suffered the attack, and was taken to the hospital. We returned him home in an ambulance."

Shorty has had trouble with his heart before, but it was thought he had completely recovered.

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FOR SALE

Boston Screwtail Bulldogs, ready to wean. See Lowell Beaty, phone 3592, Ropesville. (pd2t/19)

PETTY. SPENCER VISIT ROPES

Dr. Spencer, head of the South Plains College in Levelland, and T. O. Petty, tax assessor and collector for the college, were in Ropes this past week looking after college business.

Dr. Spencer stated that the college was having a most successful term, and he thinks with the construction of dormitories, which are in the planning process, that the enrollment will reach a much higher number.

The South Plains Junior College is considered one of the best of its kind in this part of the state.

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JOE ALLENS HAVE NEW BOY

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Allen are the proud parents of a new son weighing 8 pounds and 12 ounces, born Thursday of last week in a Lubbock hospital. Joe is a mechanic at the Smith Auto.

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ROPEES NEEDLE CLUB MEETS

The Ropesville Needle Club met Thursday, November 12, in the home of Mrs. R. D. Hayslip to quilt. There were seven members and 2 visitors present. The visitors were Mrs. Amy Dees and Mrs. G. R. Johnson, of Lubbock.

Gifts were exchanged, and refreshments served to the following members:

Mmes. W. O. Drake, E. N. Exum, S. E. Whitener, James Means, Otto Chitwood, and Bob Thomas.

The next meeting will be with Mrs. W. O. Drake on December 3rd.

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POLITICAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

The following political announcements are made subject to the Democratic Primary, May 7, 1960:

- For Sheriff:
WEIR CLEM
B. L. (Scrub) WARREN
ALTON LOGSDON
FLETCHER B. LEWIS
For Tax Assessor-Collector:
FRANK BURNETT
For Commissioner Prec. 1:
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FARM CENSUS WORK BEGINS

Field work in the 1959 Census of Agriculture started locally on November 18 when a force of census takers start visiting every farm in the area, it was announced recently by Field Director James W. Stroud of the Census Bureau's regional office at Dallas.

Farm census questionnaires have been mailed to all farm operators. The census takers will visit all local farms to collect the questionnaires and, if necessary, assist the farmer in filling out the report form.

The 1959 Census of Agriculture is the 17th in a series of nation-wide farm canvasses, the first of which was conducted in 1840. The Census of Agriculture is taken at five-year intervals to provide up-to-date statistical information about the nearly five million farms which supply food and raw materials for manufacture

of goods used by the people of the United States, now numbering about 178 million. The current census will yield information on the number and size of farms, acreage and harvest of crops, livestock production and inventories, selected farm facilities and equipment and selected farm expenditures.

The field director emphasized that all information about individuals and their farm operations furnished to the Census Bureau is held in absolute confidence under Federal law. It is

used only to provide summary figures such as totals, averages, and percentages. The information on an individual report cannot be furnished to any one other than sworn Census employees and thus cannot be used for investigation, taxation, or regulation.

WEIR CLEM HERE SATURDAY

Sheriff Weir Clem was in Ropes Saturday meeting the folks and looking after business.

Weir says, at this time, things over the county are rather quiet, and that law violations are below normal.

RETURNS TO PORTALES

Mrs. L. M. Anderson, who has been visiting in the home of her daughter, Mrs. Garnie Atkisson, returned to her home in Portales last Monday.

PINK AND BLUE SHOWER

There will be a "Pink and Blue" shower for Mrs. M. L. Roberts on Tuesday, November 24, at 2:30 p.m. in the home of Mrs. Bob Thomas. Everyone is invited.

PECANS HIGH, ROADS SLIPPERY

Mr. and Mrs. Chester Stephenson returned this week from Louisiana where they had gone to buy pecans. Chester says the nuts were immature and they wanted more at the trees than he could sell them for after hauling them back to the Plains.

On the return trip they came by Dallas where they picked up their grandchildren, Mickey Dale and Joe Davy, sons of Mr. and Mrs. Weldon Stephenson.

Also, on the return trip they ran into a blue norther, and from the time they left Dallas until they came up on the Plains at Big Spring the roads were covered with ice, and traffic was moving about ten miles an hour. On this stretch of road they saw a six-wheel truck and a car turned over.

PAT BRADSHAW BUYS THE ROPES HOUSE OF BEAUTY

A deal was completed this week whereby Pat Bradshaw became the owner of the Ropes House of Beauty, she buying same from Mrs. N. D. Flowers.

In another column in the Plainsman will be found an ad from the House of Beauty in which Pat invites the folks of the community to visit her. She has as her assistant, Mrs. Billie McCormick.

CARD OF THANKS

We desire to take this means of offering our sincere thanks and appreciation to the folks in the Ropes community for their many kindnesses, their words of condolence, flowers and cards of sympathy given during the illness and death of our beloved sister and aunt. It is an hour we all must face, and it is our sincere hope that when it comes you will find yourselves among such friends as you have proven to be.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Berry and family,
Mr. and Mrs. B. C. Berry and family.

SINGING TO BE AT CHURCH OF CHRIST SUNDAY AFTERNOON

The church of Christ, here in Ropes, states Garnie Atkisson, will be host to all singers in this area next Sunday afternoon at 3:00. Invitations have been sent to all neighboring churches, and a large crowd is expected. If you enjoy good gospel singing, make your plans to attend.

JUNIOR HIGH BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

Following is the schedule for the Junior High Basketball team of Ropes for the school year, with games beginning at 7:00 p.m.:

Nov. 23 - Frenship	Here
Nov. 30 - New Home	There
Dec. 3 - Slaton	There
Dec. 10 - Sundown	Here
Dec. 14 - Frenship	There
Jan. 18 - Slaton	Here

The following are district games, and start at 6:00 p.m.:

Jan. 21 - Meadow	Here
Jan. 28 - Whiteface	Here
Feb. 11 - Meadow	There
Feb. 18 - Whiteface	There
Feb. 15 through 20 - Sundown	Tournament.



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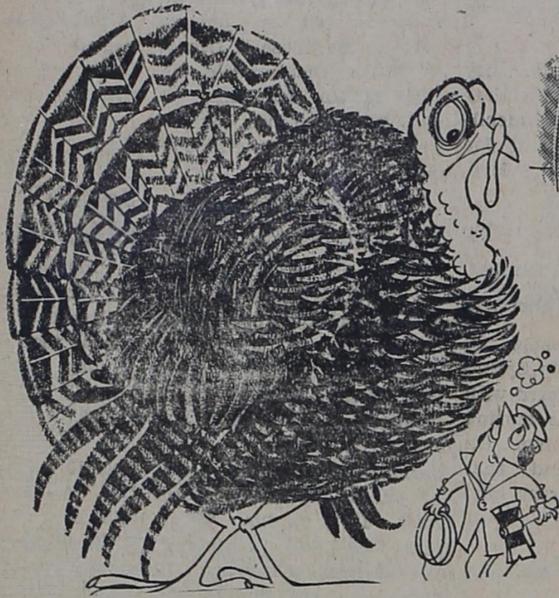
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