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Three Hurt, One Seriously in Car Crash Tuesday

Two young students from Jena, La., about 17 and 18 years old, and Joe Lee Morrow of Oklahoma City, formerly of Ruston, La., are in hospitals at Paris and Mt. Pleasant as the result of a car crash late Tuesday on U. S. Highway 271, near Rivercrest electric plant, east of Jothtown.

Morrow, who was taken to a Paris hospital by a Bogata Funeral Home ambulance, was still unconscious at noon Wednesday, but had attempted to move his legs. His recovery is said to be doubtful.

The Jena, La., students who had been to Paris for a tryout at football at PJC, were hitchhiking home, and were picked up at Bogata by Morrow, according to Constable W. J. Corbell.

Jim Hervey who lives on the highway, near Rivercrest, was turning in at his driveway, when the Pontiac driven by Morrow attempted to pass. He struck a culvert, ripped a fender from the Hervey car and turned over several times. One of the boys thrown clear, landed in a barbed wire fence. He had a broken arm and was unconscious when he and the other boy, not hurt so badly, were taken to a Mt. Pleasant hospital by a Grant Funeral Home ambulance.

The Pontiac was demolished. Hervey's car was said to have been off the highway and in his own driveway when struck.

Talco School Band In Spring Concert

Talco High School Band will present its annual spring concert next Tuesday evening, May 24, at 8 o'clock. This will be the climax to a very busy and eventful year and the band has expressed a desire to have a large number present for this, their final performance of the year.

Included in the program will be overtures and marches as well as blues and swing. Rosemary Robinson will present Leroy Anderson's Trumpet Lullaby, a trumpet solo, which won her second place in Interscholastic League solo contest.

Leasing Acreage East Mt. Vernon

In Franklin County Cities Service Oil Company is credited with continued leasing in the area immediately east of Mount Vernon. Latest buying totaled about 300 acres out of the John Hughes, J. Daffron and G. Etheridge surveys. Leases are for 10 years, and reported bonus was \$10 per acre.

Talco High School Chorus Wins At Regional Meet

Talco High School Chorus entered the regional contest Friday and won several honors. Miss Linda Sue Haynes won a number one rating in vocal solo contest.

A trio of girls, Dora Ann Gandy, Betty Thurman and Judy Verble, rated a second place; a girl sextet, Linda Haynes, Myrna Hall, Judy Verble, Barbara Medlin, Peggy Holland and Janell Brown were awarded second place rating. Their song was Jesu Joy of Man's Desiring.

The Chorus was awarded a fourth place in concert singing and second rating in sight singing. Although it rained most of the day the trip was a success. The chorus was accompanied by their director, Miss Tommie Baxter.

New P-TA Officers Are Installed

Mrs. S. O. Loving installed these officers of the Parent-Teachers Association at its closing meeting of the season, Thursday night in the school auditorium:

President, Jack Brown; vice-pres., Mrs. Bill Miller; secretary, Mrs. R. E. Cain; treasurer, Mrs. G. O. Howard; historian, Mrs. Joe Garner; parliamentarian, Mrs. Nadine Caldwell.

Gay Gibson led the group in the pledge to the flag. The constitution was given by Fred Clemmons. A history report of the year by Mrs. Lucille Perkins. Mrs. Jones' first grade and senior class won the parents' attendance awards.

After the meeting, the parents visited the class rooms for a view of the children's school work. Cake and drinks were served by first grade mothers.

Baptists Honor Elderly Mothers

The Women's Missionary Ass'n of the First Baptist Church honored the elderly mothers and mothers-in-law of the church with a Mother's day banquet on Friday evening at the Humble Recreation Hall. Forty guests enjoyed the occasion including two out of town guests, Mrs. Davis of Daingerfield, mother of Mrs. Lorene McFerrin, and Mrs. Pearl Hays of Mt. Pleasant, mother of Mrs. W. E. Welch. A short program was enjoyed.

The program consisted of devotional, Rev. D. C. Jensen; poem, Mrs. George Burleson; reading and appreciation, Mrs. Gabie Crawford and prayer by Mrs. W. E. Welch.

Talco Water Tank And Tower to Get Needed Repairs

Talco City Commission has made a contract with Kessler Corporation of Fremont, Ohio, for cleaning, repairing and repainting of Talco's city water tower.

Work will start immediately and the contract price is \$775, plus a fee for any needed repairs.

This work was necessary, because there has been no work on the tank since 1947.

The company has equipment to by-pass the water tower while being cleaned and painted, and the pump at the well will continue to supply water pressure.

Book Lovers Club With Mrs. Jones

Mrs. C. E. Jones was hostess to the Book Lovers Club Friday in her home. Delicately colored sweetpeas and red and white roses were used for decorations.

Roll call was answered with sights to see in Mexico by nineteen members. Following the business session Mrs. J. L. Cato directed the program on Mexico. She made an informative talk on the subject followed by an article entitled "Pocket full of peas will buy holiday in fascinating Mexico" by Mrs. Felix Jones.

"Tragis trash of basketmakers still found in Big Bend area." Mrs. D. C. Jensen gave a part entitled "Texans tell both Houses of triumph of San Jacinto." Mrs. Cato conducted two quiz games in which Mrs. John D. Wright and Mrs. E. W. Smith were winners and were each awarded a piece of lovely pottery.

Assisted by Mrs. B. L. Gieger and Mrs. Jim Morris, Mrs. Jones served a delicious salad plate with tall glasses of tangy punch, to Mmes. Billy Carter, Dan Cotten, J. L. Cato, Sidney Frugia, J. W. Haynes, B. L. Gieger, C. E. Griggs, Felix Jones, Dick Hood, Hershell Kelley, R. R. Kelley, Jim Morris, Lyndon Reed, E. W. Smith, H. O. Williams, John D. Wright, D. C. Jensen, Gene Gandy, and one visitor, Mrs. Clemmons.

The next meeting will be in the home of Mrs. Felix Jones, and Mrs. B. L. Gieger will be in charge of the program on "The Book of Tomorrow's World."

E. G. Morgan Dies At Bogata Home

Funeral services were conducted for E. G. Morgan, 80, Tuesday at 2:30 p. m. at the Methodist Church in Bogata by the pastor, Rev. Herbert Grosdier, assisted by Rev. Joe Everheart, pastor of Meneely Presbyterian Church. Interment was made in Highland Cemetery at Deport by Bogata Funeral Home.

Deceased was born May 3, 1875, at Towser Tenn., son of the late Duncan and Corella Blankenship Morgan. Came to Texas at the age of 16, was married to Miss Nannie Emma Thredgill, Jan. 9, 1898. He was a retired farmer, having lived in this area many years and was a highly respected citizen. Death occurred at 7:30 p. m. Sunday, May 15 at home, following a lengthy illness.

He is survived by his wife and nine children. Four sons, Silas of Rugby, Travis of Bogata, Sidney and Harvey of Bisbee, Ariz.; five daughters, Mrs. Steve Gray of Galena Park, Mrs. Harley Massey of Paris, Mrs. Raymond Fennell and Mrs. Howard E. Bryson of Bogata, Mrs. Donald Dolan of Temple; 15 grandchildren, 12 great-grandchildren; these brothers and sister: Joe and Albert, Lorenzo; George, Oklahoma, and Claude, Bogata; Mrs. Emma Sheperd and Mrs. Rosita Prater, Oklahoma.

Pallbearers were Billy Ray Dickerson, Billy Gene Bell, Troy Gray, Duane Bryson, Glynn Morgan, Edwin Morgan.

Honorary pallbearers: Aleck, Frank and Hugh Griffin, Tom Lemens, Tom Jeffus and Joe Grant.

Homemaking Girls Nursery School

The homemaking students taking summer work will sponsor a nursery school at the school during the week of June 6-10.

All parents interested who have a child between the ages 2-5 are asked to contact Miss Blackburn or call the school between the hour of 3 to 3:45 in the afternoon.

Wadley's Bowie Test Abandoned

Abandonment has been reported for J. K. Wadley No. 1 Eddie Blackmon, T&P survey, A-46, four miles north of Malta. Hole was drilled to 5,548 with no information released. The Texarkana operator now is drilling a second hole some five miles northwest.

In Cass County work is being started by Deep Rock Oil Corporation, Tulsa, on No. 1 L. A. McDonald, a 6,700-foot test in the Haynes field five miles southeast of Kildare. Location is 660 from the south and west lines of BBB-&C survey, A-46.

E-Texas Editors Hold Annual Meet At Nacogdoches

Jack Hawkins, publisher of the Groesbeck Journal, was elected president of the North and East Texas Press Association at the closing session of the organization's twenty-ninth annual convention Saturday at Nacogdoches.

Hawkins, elevated from the post of vice-president, succeeds William P. Davis of the Waxahachie Daily Light.

B. H. Broiles, publisher of the Jacksonville Daily Progress, was elected vice-president; Ed Luker of the Grapeland Messenger, was re-elected secretary - treasurer and Arthur Lefevre was re-elected assistant president.

Newly elected directors are Clarence Leonard, Gainesville; Mrs. Corinne Neal Cook, Mesquite, Jack Shoaf, Quitman and Dick Dwellie, Athens.

The host city for the 1956 convention will be chosen later by the executive committee.

Editors had a most enjoyable meeting, this writer can personally attest. The new million dollar hotel there, built by citizens of Nacogdoches, was comfortable, the food good and prices reasonable.

Shower Honoring Mrs. Johnson

A shower was given recently at the city hall honoring Mrs. Don Johnson, the former Miss Peggy Swarts.

Guests attending were Mmes. John Stockton, Elmer Harris, Vera Smith, Leo Roberts, Naomi Fitch, Dewey Howard, Howard Sullivan, Roy Ottinger, B. W. Kimball, Leroy Lewis, Louie Bond, Maude Leftwich, Fay Leake, Misses Pat Swarts, Joyce Alexander, Wanda Morse, Dimple V. Jennings, Maggie Jennings, Alice King, Zephie Wallace, Florene Swarts, Mmes. Velera Loving, J. B. Harper, Meurl Bean, Billy M. Cooper, D. C. Jensen, Misses Jane Kelley, Wanda Williams and the hostesses, Mrs. George Burleson, Mrs. Roger Hood, Mrs. Frank Wright, and Mrs. Bill Pope. Many others sent gifts.

Mayor and Mrs. Jerry Jones plan to leave Saturday for Florida to spend their vacation. They will stop at Panama City and later visit Mr. and Mrs. John Paul Jones at Macon, Ga. John Paul is a first baseman for the Peaches.

The seventh grade class will have their annual picnic with swimming and boat riding at Daingerfield State Park Saturday, May 21. They will be accompanied by their room teachers, Mrs. Verda Duncan and Jamie Buie and several parents.

Tuesday night, while at The Top, one of the smaller Aishman children fell from the car window and Mrs. Aishman backed the car over one leg. L. L. Burcalow, standing near, picked her up and Mrs. Aishman rushed her to Talco Clinic but her injuries were not critical.

Mrs. E. K. Sparkman entertained the Young Adult Class of the Methodist Church with a coffee at her home Friday. Coffee and cookies were served to Mrs. J. R. Poston, Mrs. Frank Sloan, Mrs. Herschell Kelley Jr., Mrs. Bob Sledge and Mrs. Dan Cotten. A beautiful gift of appreciation was presented to Mrs. Frank Sloan.

What Seniors Plan To Do Next

Dorothy Hall plans to work this summer and enter ETSTC, Commerce, in September.

Fred Johniken will work this summer and go to PJC in September.

Richard Stansell will help his father in his shop this summer and attend PJC next fall.

Bobbye Blackburn will remain at home this summer and attend ETSTC in September.

Lois Shaw will visit part of the summer and enter college somewhere in September.

Becky Foster plans to enter ETSTC in June.

Janell Brown will go to ETSTC in June and continue in the fall. Janice Davis will spend her summer at home and enter NTSC at Denton, in September.

Eddy Griggs will work this summer and enter NTSC, Denton, in September.

Bobby Funderburk will work this summer and enter NTSC, at Denton in September.

Neil Waddell will work at his father's store this summer and attend PJC this fall.

Melvin Hearnon hasn't decided. Wanda Williams plans to begin work immediately in Longview.

Kyle Leake will work this summer and attend ETSTC, beginning in September.

Billie Juanel Smith plans to leave soon after school is out to visit her sister, Mrs. W. C. Jones, in California.

Sally Worden will remain at home this summer and attend ETSTC, in September.

Charlene Case will visit in Ft. Worth and probably work later.

Doris Cogburn plans to work in Tyler this summer.

Peggy Swarts Johnson will join her husband in Camden, Ark.

Shirley Swinford plans to work in Dallas.

Charles Johnson will remain here this summer and attend PJC next term.

Johnny Fred Clemmons will work this summer and attend Texas A. & M. this fall.

Betty Martin Barger will keep house for her husband.

Janice Matlock will leave soon to work in Dallas.

Charles Pirtle will enter Texas A. & M. in September.

Kenneth Gentry will go to Arizona to work.

Robert Collins will work here in Dallas.

Barbara Logan plans to work in Dallas.

Sue Brown Tate will work until she can join her husband.

IN AND OUT CLUB WITH BARBARA WISE
The In and Out Club held its monthly meeting in the home of Barbara Wise. Games were played and prizes won by Joyce Orr and Elizabeth Hanks. Those present were Chloe Stone, Elizabeth Hanks, Joyce Orr, Louise Stone and the hostess.

New Red River Bridge Hiway 271 Is 914 Feet Long

A new bridge, spanning the river on U. S. Highway 271 between Paris and Hugo, was opened to traffic the first of the month.

The bridge, 914 feet long, has a clear roadway width of 28 feet. Total cost for the structure and approaches was \$424,387. The cost of \$359,675 for the bridge alone was shared equally by Texas and Oklahoma. Incidental construction cost Texas \$19,360 while the cost to Oklahoma was \$45,351. The old bridge nearby will be dismantled with a part of the superstructure going to Oklahoma and part to Texas.

Designed by the Oklahoma Highway Department, the bridge is rather out of the ordinary for a Texas bridge, Texas State Highway Engineer Greer said. The superstructure is made up of two 400-foot, I-beam units of four spans of 100 feet each and two 55-foot simple I-beam spans with concrete deck.

Pre-School Children Hear Teachers

Twenty-two children were present Wednesday morning at 10 o'clock for pre-registration for school in September. Mrs. Charles Russell, assisted by Mrs. B. Gartman and two primary teachers, Mrs. Thelma Jones and Mrs. Bertha Denison for necessary information. Supt. S. O. Loving and Elementary School principal gave instructive talks to parents. Several parents and children had lunch in the cafeteria.

The following parents attended: Mrs. J. C. Morris, Mrs. Lemuel Hargrove, Mrs. Lyndon Reed, Mrs. John D. Wright, Mrs. R. D. Harton, Mrs. R. O. Webb, Mrs. Beatrice Sawyer, Mrs. J. C. Cooper, Mrs. L. D. Hanks, Mrs. C. S. Case, Mrs. G. O. Howard, Mrs. J. W. Haynes, Mrs. J. H. Weatherall, Mrs. Fred Clemmons, Mrs. Garland Jagers, Mrs. Herbert Marshall, Mrs. Carthal Gipson, Mrs. H. E. Easterling, Mrs. M. L. Brown and Earl Edge.

Calvary Baptist Revival Successful
Calvary Baptist Church's revival meeting closed Sunday with addition of 48 members, 35 being received by baptism.

The Sunday school had record attendance of 317, and the 206 present at the training union that night set a record.

Rev. R. T. Strange brought the messages and Bill Miller was in charge of the song service. The meeting began May 8.

Ferris Whitney Loses Two Toes
Ferris Whitney lost two toes when they were accidentally shot off by his son, Jerry Glen Whitney, whose gun was discharged when he started to unload it. They had just returned from a hunt.

Two Wounded Late Friday at Maple Springs

Two men have been admitted to Titus County Hospital with gunshot wounds and a third has been charged with intent to murder following an altercation in the Maple Springs community east of Talco, Friday afternoon. One of the injured men is said to be in a critical condition.

On Wednesday Alex Quillantine of Maple Springs was still in a Mt. Pleasant hospital with a gunshot wound not intended for him. He was a by-stander.

County Attorney Alfred Flanagan said charges were pending in connection with Quillantine's wounding, but that Cliff Brown is charged with assault with intent to murder, resulting from the same shot which was actually fired at his brother, L. C. Brown.

The .22 calibre rifle bullet fired glanced off L. C. Brown's head and struck Quillantine in the side, according to the county attorney's information.

L. C. Brown was taken to the Mount Pleasant hospital but was released after first aid treatment. According to officers who investigated the shooting, the incident took place about 6:30 Friday, at what is commonly known as the Jess Jones place at Maple Springs.

Quillantine and Brown were brought to the hospital by Bun Pruitt and Marvin Ricker, who were in the Maple Springs community at the time of the shooting.

Junior-Senior Banquet Held

The Junior-Senior banquet was held Saturday night at the Stevens Hotel in Mount Pleasant. Red and white carnations in bud vases were used for table decorations.

The program consisted of a solo by Tommie Baxter, a piano number by Charles King, two trios by Peggy Holland, Judy Verble and Myrna Hall, accompanists being Charles King and Cato Jones.

Guest speaker was Curtis Pope, Commerce, English instructor at East Texas State Teachers College.

Ninety-five persons attended, including trustees and wives; teachers and their husbands and wives, and other guests.



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**Purely
Personal**

Editor and Mrs. Russell Bryant
of the Italy News-Herald, were
Saturday night guests of the Sam
Holloways. Both couples had at-
tended the 29th annual meeting
of the North and East Texas
Press Association at Nacogdoches
on Friday and Saturday. Bryant
is a past-president of the organi-
zation and is now vice-president
of the Texas Press Association.
If he behaves himself for another
month Texas editors will doubt-
less elect him president at the
annual meeting at Galveston
next month.

It was twenty years ago next
month that TPA met at Galves-
ton, and the writer had the hon-
or to conclude his year's work as
president of the organization.
Much water over the dam in that
fifth of a century, but as we re-
call, up-state editor were more
interested in beach views and
what the wild waves were saying
than they were in business meet-
ings of the Association.

It will probably be that way
again this year. In fact the pro-
gram committee was smart en-
ough to reserve the afternoons
and evenings for entertainment
with the business sessions only
in the mornings. We hope to be
among those present—in fact we
have missed only two annual
meetings during the 42 years we
have been a member of T. P. A.,
and haven't missed any of the
meetings of the North and East
Texas since we helped to organ-
ize it in 1926.
We thoroughly enjoyed rub-
bing elbows with the men and
women who publish and edit the
newspapers of the eastern half
of the state and hope that we
learned something from those
who discussed publishing prob-
lems. About all the knowledge
we possess about the business has
been learned from men and wo-
men who know more about it
than we do.

HAGANSSPORT

Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Biggerstaff
(Bow) made a trip to Clarksville
the latter part of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Devlin, for-
merly of Bogata, will visit her
parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Big-
gerstaff this week.

Mrs. Edgar Palmer of Need-
more, fell and hurt herself a week
ago Tuesday and is still in ser-
ious condition.

Betty Hyde is graduating from
the Hagansport eighth grade this
week.

A. J. Petty, a former G. I. un-
der Geo. P. Grout as co-ordina-
tor, is in Franklin County hospi-
tal.

Franklin County community
singing will be held the third
Sunday in June (June 19) at Un-
ion. All interested in good sing-
ing are invited. The new book,
Temple Echoes, will be among
the books used.

Mrs. L. B. Sheppard has re-
turned from Houston, where she
went to attend her daughter, Mrs.
James Atkinson. Mr. and Mrs.
Atkinson and Bobby Shelton, her
son, all came up to Hagansport
to spend the week end. Mr. and
Mrs. Atkinson and Bobby returned
Sunday.

The James (Chum) Dyer fam-
ily are living in the home of Mr.
and Mrs. Bill Hunt while they are
building a home west of Hagans-
port on the farm to market road.
Mrs. A. W. Pipkin is ill, but is
reported improving.

Payne Yocum, Hagansport, is
back in the McKinney hospital
and in serious condition.

Bill Joe and Kyle Payne and
their families visited in the Mrs.
Callie Payne home over the
week end.

Chester Gilbert of Madice, Ok.,
nephew of Father Pipkin, called
on him recently in Hagansport.

The Hagansport school program
is drawing to a close this week.
Graduation Wednesday night,
May 18 and the regular dinner
or stew on Friday noon. James
C. Wood, principal of Hagansport
school, will return to his home
at Zephyr, Brown County, for the
summer vacation.
Lola Gay, daughter of Mr. and

**Talco Activities
Ten Years Ago**

Week of May 18, 1945

Annual junior-senior banquet
had been held in the school cater-
teria with Coach Dixon Hatcher
as speaker. Senior class officers
were Lowell Parsons, pres.;
Clinton Carr, vice-pres.; Jerene
Chapman, sec.-treas. Junior class
officers were Louise Haynes,
pres.; Jack Byrd, vice-pres.; Ju-
anita Smelley, sec.

Graduating exercises were
held for Elementary School
graduates with Jo Anne Byrd,
valedictorian and Lee Mitchell
Jr., salutatorian.

Baccalaureate services and
graduation exercises for the sen-
ior class were held with Charlie
Young, valedictorian and Cath-
erine Traweck, salutatorian.

Miniature track shoes had been
awarded four members of the
Trojan track team at the state
meet.

J. Lyndal Hughes was elected
superintendent of Talco schools,
coming from Reagan, where he
had served in the same capacity
four years. He succeeded B. E.
Dunagan.

Office of War Information had
announced those wounded in
action from this area: Pfc. Ger-
ald F. Williams, Pfc. James J.
Howe and Pfc. Atlas M. Steed.

Sgt. Harold Bonham, who was
stationed in Australia two years,
had been moved to the Philip-
pines.

Pvt. Gilbert Combs had been
awarded the Bronze Star medal
for heroic service against the
enemy.

The 15 year old son of Mr. and
Mrs. Leonard Lennox of Oak
Grove, Titus County, had been
instantly killed when he came
in contact with a live wire on
Harte's Bluff crossing on White
Oak creek.

Sgt. Billy Carter had received
his discharge from the Army on
the point system, having had 93
points to his credit. He had been
an airplane mechanic and partic-
ipated in battles in air offensives
in Europe.

Pfc. Billy D. Pirtle of the Ma-
rines, had been on 30 day leave
after serving 14 months over-
seas. He was wearing the Amer-
ican Theatre, Asiatic-Pacific
and Mariannas ribbons, and the
Presidential Citation.

Pvt. Connie Harville was in the
Temple hospital after being
wounded in France. He had
served several months overseas.

Mrs. H. A. Hanks, Hagansport,
is visiting her sister, Sue Banks,
valedictorian of the Mt. Vernon
High School. This trait seems
run in the family as Lola Gay
was formerly a winner of the
same honor in the school.

Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Clevenger
and family of Lone Star, spent
Sunday with the Morris Holmes
family at Hagansport, and the
James Clevenger family of Dal-
las, brought Mrs. W. C. Clevenger
home and all were entertain-
ed at the Morris Holmes place.

Community singing at Mt.
Olive Baptist Church was consid-

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tended.

The Friday night school pro-
gram was well attended; in fact
one of the largest gatherings of
its kind held in the new school
house. Two weeks from this
event the regular musical will
be held as usual.

Dr. and Mrs. Geo. P. Grout at-
tended church at the Talco Meth-
odist Sunday night and were most
cordially received in their for-
mer home church. Rev. Spark-
man brought an inspiring mes-
sage, as usual.

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Mmes. K. W. Tutt and Harold
Trimble were in Pittsburg Fri-
day.

Mrs. D. D. McKnight and
Kathy went to Gilmer Monday to
visit her father, Hal Newsome,
for the day.

Mr. and Mrs. B. E. Warnell re-
turned Saturday from their va-
cation, visiting friends in Mexia,
Temple and Dallas.

Mr. and Mrs. Troy Milam of
Longview, visited the R. R. Roth-
wells and other friends in the
camp on Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. George Williams
and children of New London,
spent the week end with Mr. and
Mrs. R. R. Rothwell and family.

Cpl. R. E. Russell of Ft. Hood,
came for the week end to visit his
wife and daughter, also his par-
ents, Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Loftin
and Cecil Lynn.

Lt. and Mrs. Charles Walters
returned to the home of her par-
ents, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Trim-
ble, on Wednesday after visiting
Mr. and Mrs. Milton Pearson in
Cisco.

Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Cook Sr.
of Tyler, and Mr. and Mrs. H. S.
Cook Jr. of Kermit, came to visit
their daughter and sister, Mrs.
K. W. Tutt and Mr. Tutt for the
week end.

Mrs. Claud Rives and her
daughter, Mrs. Joan Morse and
Stephanie all of Vivian, La., came
Sunday to visit another daugh-
ter, Mrs. Frank Tietz and family
for a few days.

Mrs. J. L. Bagby and Miss
Joyce Williams, both former
camp residents, came on Sunday
to visit Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Spi-
vey and family, and other
friends, for the day.

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Howard of
Kerville, came on Friday to vis-
it their son, Glenn Howard and
family. On Sunday afternoon
another son, Byron Howard and
family of Hawkins, visited them.

Mr. and Mrs. Billy Ray Dick-
erson and Stan, Mr. and Mrs. J.
H. Dickerson, Mrs. F. A. Jones
and Mrs. Gene Gandy attended
the funeral of Mrs. Billy Ray
Dickerson's grandfather, E. G.
Morgan in Bogata Tuesday after-
noon.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Poston and
children and Mr. and Mrs. G. G.
Ryan and family went to Mt.
Pleasant Sunday for a picnic in
Delwood Park, of the East Tex-
as Amateur Radio Club. Mr. and
Mrs. Bob Reed and children of
Longview, met them there.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Bradshaw
of Gilmer, visited Mr. and Mrs.
Cecil Loftin and family for the
week end. Mr. and Mrs. Olean
Wade and children of Pittsburg,
visited Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Dun-
can and boys. Both families en-
joyed a picnic at the Humble
lake Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Dickerson
returned Monday evening from
vacation. They visited Mr. and
Mrs. Dan Dickerson in Ardmore,
Ok., a few days, and Mr. and
Mrs. Douglas Cox and family in
Mexia. Mr. Cox and Mr. Dick-
erson fished at Lake Whitney
and reported a good catch.

NOTICE MASONS

A called meeting of Talco
Lodge No. 1134 will be held Mon-
day, May 23 at 8 o'clock for work
in the Master's degree. All mem-
bers urged to attend and visiting
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LOCAL NEWS

By MRS. O. B. HOPWOOD
DIAL DR 9-3855

Herschell Kelley, Sr. is a patient in a Mt. Pleasant hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Nugent left Tuesday for points in Arkansas.

Mr. and Mrs. Kyle Munn and Nelwyn visited in Pittsburg, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Coker visited his mother in a Naples hospital, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Busselle spent Tuesday and Wednesday at Narrows Dam, Ark.

Mrs. Ardell Flanagan had her tonsils removed at a Mt. Pleasant hospital Friday.

Mrs. W. A. Perdue was admitted to a Mt. Pleasant hospital Saturday for treatment.

Mr. and Mrs. N. E. Sain visited her sister, Mrs. Ural DeShong and family in Cunningham, Sunday.

Mark Wells of Vivian, La., spent this week with his daughter, Mrs. Vernon Martin and Mr. Martin.

Wayne Smelley, employed in Dallas, spent the week end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Smelley.

Mrs. C. C. Collins, who has been hospitalized in Mt. Pleasant for several weeks, came home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Garner and children of El Dorado, Ark., visited their parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. Garner and Mr. and Mrs. Lilley, the past week end.

Patsy Swope, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Swope, is a member of the Paris Junior College Dragon Band and went with them to Memphis, Tenn., Thursday for the band parade in the Cotton Carnival.

Mr. and Mrs. John Northam have returned from Mena, Ark., where they have been visiting relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Bonham and Mrs. Georgia Jones went to Dallas Tuesday in the interest of their store.

R. A. Henderson recently went fishing at Iron Ore Lake and visited Mr. and Mrs. Duane Welch in Daingerfield.

Billy McElroy of Austin, visited his brother, Herman McElroy and Mrs. McElroy and other relatives Friday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Cornelius Jagers and two children of Atlanta, visited his brother, Garland Jagers and family Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Hollis Holcomb of Texarkana, visited her cousin, Herman McElroy and Mrs. McElroy Friday night.

Wednesday night guests of Mr. and Mrs. Sammie Burton were Mr. and Mrs. Bob Foster and Randy of Mt. Pleasant.

Mr. and Mrs. G. F. Robinson, Rebecca and Freddie visited Gerry and Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Cato in Carrollton, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Willie Morgan and children of Dallas, spent the week end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Morgan.

Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Blakely left Friday for a two months vacation. They will visit in Oklahoma, Arkansas and Miami, Fla.

Freddie Rodgers and Donald Easterling were on the Dean's A. & B. list for the fifth six weeks at Paris Junior College.

Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Henderson visited their small granddaughter who was critically ill in a Dallas hospital, Friday and Saturday.

The D. B. Stones went to see his mother, who recently had a heart attack at her home in Henderson. She is reported improved.

Mrs. Gladys Perry and children of Ontario, Calif., are here for a few weeks visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Drue Matlock and family.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Thurman and Miss Betty Thurman spent Saturday night and Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Mansfield in Pittsburg.

On their way to Mt. Pleasant Wednesday morning, Miss Vera Bennett and her young brother, Truett, ran over a squirrel and killed it.

Mr. and Mrs. Sammie Burton, in company with a party from Mt. Pleasant, spent Thursday night at Lake View Lodge near Caddo Lake.

Mrs. Delight Harder of Colinga, Calif., arrived Sunday for a two weeks' visit with Mrs. Nadine Caldwell and Mr. and Mrs. Bob McClung.

Mrs. Lucille Perkins spent Tuesday night with her daughter-in-law, Mrs. Loyd Perkins and her granddaughter, in Sulphur Springs.

Mr. and Mrs. B. B. Walker left Tuesday for a two weeks vacation, visiting his brothers in Waco and Houston, and their son in New Orleans, La.

Mrs. Earl Edge and baby daughter, Tanna Joy, were dismissed Tuesday from a Paris hospital, where the baby was born two weeks previous.

Mrs. Hollis Ford and two children and Miss Beverly Gieger of Ft. Worth, spent the week end with their aunt, Miss Blanche Gieger and other relatives.

Mrs. J. D. Bragg and two children and Mrs. Troy McMillan and Patsy of Grand Prairie, visited their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Morris during the week end.

Mrs. Sallie Gage, Mrs. Frank Lindsey and Mrs. Gerald Miller recently attended a meeting of the North East Texas Association of Beauty Culturists in Sulphur Springs.

Karen, Stone had her tonsils removed on May 7 and is improved enough to go back to school. She had a check-up at a clinic in Longview and was reported satisfactory.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Spruell and daughter and Mrs. W. H. Hughes spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Morgan. Troy Slaughter of Mt. Pleasant, also visited them.

Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Simmons were his mother, Mrs. Jessie Simmons of Bogata and his brother, Jack Simmons and family and Staton Simmons of Denison.

The senior class left Thursday for New Orleans, La., returning Sunday. A. C. Newsome drove the bus and the students were accompanied by the class sponsor, Mrs. Lucille Perkins.

Mr. and Mrs. David Teague and children of Longview, began their vacation here Saturday night with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Teague. They left Sunday for Nashville, Ark., to visit his sister, Mrs. Joda Nelson and family.

Mr. and Mrs. William Belcher, Mr. and Mrs. Wiley Belcher, Mr. and Mrs. Dan Seay, Easter Ann and Janice, Paul Black, Mrs. Odell Belcher and Maydell attended the funeral of Delton Parr, Jr., at Monticello Tuesday. He was the great-grandson of Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Belcher.

Miss Jackie Winn has been elected Rush Captain of the Chi Sigma Delta Sorority at Kilgore College for the fall term. A business major, she is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Winn.

Mr. and Mrs. Garland Aubrey of Tulsa, Ok., visited her mother, Mrs. Effie Kelley, and her brothers, Herschell Kelley, Sr., and Wilton Kelley and families the week end. Mrs. Effie Kelley accompanied them home.

C. H. Dickinson, Ed Nugent, T. L. Barton and Jim Morris, accompanied by Buster Holcomb of Mt. Pleasant, attended the annual barbecue in Shreveport Friday of last week for employees of Arkansas Louisiana Gas Co.

Graduation announcements have been received from Sue Dean, daughter of Mrs. V. P. Chandler of New Orleans, La., and the late Dr. Vernon Dean, and from Mary Lynn Stephens, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Stephens of Electra.

Mr. and Mrs. B. B. Walker left Friday of last week to visit their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Walker, in Grand Isle, La. They will also visit relatives and friends in Shreveport, New Orleans, La., Houston, and Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Laughlin in Chil-ton.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Lilley, Sr., entertained a number of relatives and friends at their home Saturday evening with an ice cream supper. Guests were Mr. and Mrs. Roy Lilley, Jr. and son, Garry of Montana, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Garner and children of El Dorado, Ark., Mr. and Mrs. Don Lockwood and Jimmy, Mr. and Mrs. Troy Lewis and children, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Garner and Joan.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Wright of Talco and Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Farmer of Denison, returned on Monday from a trip to Kingston, Tenn., and other interesting points in that area. Among the places visited was a nylon hosiery mill, where the ladies were presented six pairs each of freshly-woven hose. Wright denies he fished any, but did say he attended a fish fry where he had all he could eat.

DEW AND DON'T
"Your eyes" thrilled the ardent swain. "They're beautiful! I see dew in them."
"Take it easy, bud," drawled the girl. "That ain't dew. That's don't."

WILKINSON

By MARCIA BLALOCK

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Pretty and children of Dallas, were week end guests of Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Moles and sons.

Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Blalock and Mr. and Mrs. Morris Blalock and daughter were week end visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Delmo Blalock and Susan and Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Riddle and children of Seagoville.

Mrs. Clarence Harris has returned home after a visit with her brothers and their families in Houston.

Mrs. Charlie Blalock and Charlie Paul of Mt. Pleasant and Mrs. R. P. Moles and Henry visited Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Blalock on Thursday.

Mrs. Morris Blalock and Miss Dorothy Blalock accompanied Mrs. Dee Floyd on a business trip to Winnsboro, Thursday.

Week end guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Harris were Mr. and Mrs. Dean Brownlee and son and Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Shipp Jr. and son, all of Mt. Pleasant.

Sunday visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Jess Jones were Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Wilson and Mrs. Dovie Hatfield and Mrs. Faye Scangling of Mt. Pleasant, Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Jones of Maple Springs and John Riddle.

Martin Phelps of Avery and Miss Winnie Winkle of Sherry, visited her sister, Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Blalock and children, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Blalock and children visited Mr. and Mrs. P. B. Harris, Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Romus Burgin of Talco, Mr. and Mrs. Evelynlee Thomas of Houston, visited Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Blalock, Friday.

MOVE OVER, DAVY CROCKETT

Dallas. — Move over, Davy Crockett, here comes Tom Davidson. U. S. District Court Judge T. Whitfield Davidson, that is.

Judge Davidson competed with U. S. deputy marshals in their annual pistol shoot in Abilene last week.

The white-haired, 76-year-old jurist shattered the bull's-eye for only occupations which require government-issued pistol. Fifty is considered passing.

REAL NERVE

Specialist: "You are suffering from nervous exhaustion. I can cure you for the small sum of \$2,000."
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MAPLE SPRINGS

By VIRGIE GRAF

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Wilson carried Lee to Longview for a check-up Saturday.

Mrs. Leon Sims and children of Talco, spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. Morris Brown.

W. O. Tutt and Virginia spent Saturday with Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Anchutz at Wilkinson.

Thomas Black spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. Carl Pittman and children at Mt. Pleasant.

Mrs. Helen Smith and children of Mt. Pleasant, Mrs. Georgie Randles and Mrs. Manuel Blalock visited Mr. and Mrs. Bob Martin at Talco, Sunday.

Mrs. Georgie Randles spent Sunday with Mrs. Billie Joe Randles and Doyce Wayne at Talco.

Mrs. Vera Draper and son of Paris, visited Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Ritcherson, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. S. G. Garrett and baby of Mt. Pleasant, spent Saturday with Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Ritcherson.

Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Fry and children spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Wilburn Pittman at Bogata.

W. H. Harbour has entered a hospital at Galveston.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Young and children of Dallas, spent the

week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Loyd Randle.

Mrs. Harvey Robertson and Patricia and Mrs. Macon Robertson of Mt. Pleasant, visited Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Hawthorne, Sunday.

Lt. and Mrs. Warren Belcher visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jess Belcher.

The Talco Eastern Star chapter will meet Tuesday, May 24, for a regular business meeting. All members are urged to be present since officers will be elected for the ensuing year at this time.

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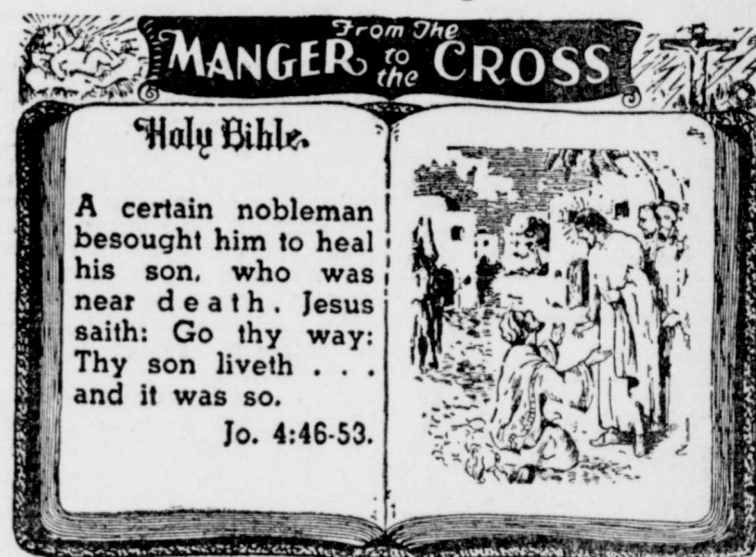
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Highlights and Sidelights FROM Your State CAPITOL

By VERN SANFORD, Texas Press Association

Austin.—This may be the final week of the 1955 Legislative session. Gov. Allan Shivers' quest for final adjournment, made two weeks ago, was May 25. It appears now that the Legislature may beat that date by a few days.

Overshadowing everything the past several weeks has been the big tax bill. But it is reaching its final form. Only a long hassle in the House, over acceptance or rejection of Senate changes in the \$100,000,000 new-tax measure will cause further delay in adjournment.

Optimists thought final agreement might be reached by Friday on the tax bill. This would unblock the big billion and a half dollar, two-year appropriation bill on which conferees already have agreed. If and when that is done the Legislators will go home. They have been serving since May 10 without pay.

Final agreement on the constitutional amendment reviving the veterans land program—passed in different form by the two chambers—and on the \$100,000,000 bond issue to aid water districts—amended in the House to change the form of taxation—would round up major business. Both branches virtually abandoned efforts to pass any more of the untouched calendar bills.

A final vote on Sen. George Parkhouse's "Port Arthur Strike Bill" in the House, early this week left it awaiting only Senate concurrence or conference action. The bill prohibits picketing to force an employer to recognize a union, or to force workers to join it, unless the union represents a majority of the employees. It authorizes a court to order an election to see if the union has the majority.

Already passed was Parkhouse's "Ford Motor Bill" to deny unemployment benefits to workers idled because of a strike of their union in some other plant of their employer.

Hanging fire in the House was the third Parkhouse's labor bills, the third of Parkhouse's labor bills, authorizing suits for injunctions and damages in picketing or strikes contravening the "Port Arthur bill."

INSURANCE REMEDY—One of the major jobs that faced the legislature has been completed, says Lt. Gov. Ben Ramsey, by the passage of four insurance bills. This is what the measures do: Plug up legal loopholes that permitted promoters in the last four years to sell \$100,000,000 in worthless insurance stocks. Require fire and casualty insurance companies to have capital of at least \$150,000.

Require stock life companies to have \$100,000 capital and \$100,000 surplus and prohibit future organization of \$25,000 limited capital stock companies. Limit investment in home office buildings to one-third of a company's assets.

Define the authority of the State Insurance Commission to act as a board and authorize it to make stricter and more frequent examination of insurance companies. Provide for the commission to review the management operations and financial plans of proposed new companies.

SHIVERS, SHEPPERD TALK—Governor Shivers and Atty. Gen. John Ben Shepperd appeared before the House investigating committee to talk about the veterans land problem. Shivers remarked that he had been criticized because, as a member of the Veterans Land Board, he had not discovered any of the irregularities.

"Regular checking by the state auditor failed to uncover any wrong-doing," Shivers said, "and it is well known that irregularities were discovered outside the land boards' records."

Both Shepperd and Shivers as-

Area Students On PJC Honor Roll

A number of students from this area were on the honor roll at PJC the past six weeks. On the A honor roll were Shirley Johnson, Dennis Pettit of Bogata and Dave McGahan, formerly of Cunningham.

Listed on the A and B honor roll were Elnora Barnard, Gary Nixon, Pat Nobles, Elaine Philley of Deport, Ima Jean Butts and Tommie Roach of Bogata, Patsy Clement of Pattonville, Donald Easterling of Talco, and Joyce McGahan, formerly of Cunningham.

sured the committee that no change has been made or ordered in the minutes of the Veterans Land Board. Where errors occurred, it was pointed out, the original minutes were rubber-stamped to show that corrections were made in the minutes of the April 27 meeting.

LAND BILL DEBATED—On the Senate floor, there was debate on a bill which the House has passed and which is aimed at preventing future villainy in the veterans land program. Rep. Dolph Briscoe of Uvalde is author of the bill which would more strictly regulate land sales and introduce new safeguards into administration of the program.

SURPRISE DEVELOPMENT—Biggest development was the surprise call by Justice of the Peace Travis Blakeslee of a court of inquiry, at the request of Attorney General Shepperd, to start a six-week check of the operation of the entire billion-dollar General Land Office under former Commissioner Bascom Giles.

This involves money of state land sales, the leasing and sales by the Board for School Land Leasing, the Board for Mineral Development of University lands. The tidelands leasing is in the school program.

Shepperd said other VLB members, Gov. Shivers and new Land Commissioner J. Earl Rudder, joined him in requesting the court of inquiry. Sen. Jimmy Phillips charged it was a publicity gimmick to head off a legislative investigation of the Land Office, proposed in pending House resolutions.

District Judge J. Harris Gardner rendered judgement in the first civil suit by the state to forfeit a block veterans land deal and recover the money. This verdict was against Sam R. Ward, involving a \$33,000 sale of Zavala County land to eight veterans.

LESS POLIO—Texas has far fewer cases of polio this year than last, according to State Health Department reports. Total for the year to date was 196, as compared with 293 at the same time in 1954. Dr. L. P. Walter, acting health officer, said that so far there was only one case of polio among the 479,000 children who got free Salk vaccine, and one case among those who received commercial vaccine.

There's nothing like adversity to bring out what's in a man," declares a writer. "Oh, we don't know—there's seasickness.

Alcorn Invites Russians To Inspect His Farm, Chiefly to Confuse Them

Editor's note: Achin Alcorn, philosopher on his Johnson grass farm on Sulphur has an interesting idea this week, but he won't get anywhere with it. He never does.

Dear Editor: As I understand it, in the interest of international harmony, a group of Russian editors and students are coming over to the United States to study us farmers sometime this spring or summer, and I have been giving the matter some serious thought.

The reason the Russians want to study us is that in Russia, try as hard as they will or as hard as the government can make them, the farmers haven't been able to grow enough food, whereas in this country we have succeeded in growing more than we know what to do with.

Now I don't know what the intentions of the United States are in this matter, I suppose they are entirely above-board, just a friendly gesture to let the Russians see how a free country farms, but if anybody is interested in confusing them, I know how it can be done.

Just let em visit my Johnson grass farm out here.

If they can look at my farm operations thoroughly and then figure out how America has pro-

duced more food than it knows what to do with, they've got bigger electronic brains than we have.

And if we want to use a few cold war tactics in this matter, give em to understand my farm is a typical one, and after they spend a day taking notes on my methods and go back home and spread the word, it'll set Russian agriculture back two generations.

However, I don't look for anything to come of this, as I don't believe the Russians would ever understand my farm methods. In the first place, they may not even have baling wire in Russia, and without baling wire the foundations would fall out from under my system. You take all the baling wire off my farm and two-thirds of the fences would fall down, all the gates would swing open, the tail gate would fall off my trailer, my tractor would scatter parts from the back door to the north end of the farm, and I'm not even sure my pants would stay up.

If though the visitors insist on coming to my place, I'll be glad to show em around, and will give each one a small handful of Johnson grass seed. If we can get it back to Russia and dropped in a half dozen places, in five years we'll have em begging for mercy. Yours faithfully, A. A.

JOHNTOWN

By MRS. G. A. VAUGHAN
Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Arnold, Sue and Randy, and Mary Ann Vaughan visited Mr. and Mrs. Frank Watkins at Bogata, Sunday.

Mrs. Ted Tull of Bagwell, accompanied by her mother and sister, Mrs. H. M. Askins and Mrs. Jack Kidd of Clarksville, spent Wednesday with Mrs. W. J. Hawkins and Mr. and Mrs. Frank M. Pew.

Mr. and Mrs. Jimmie Nored and daughter, formerly of Memphis, Tenn., arrived Thursday at the home of her mother, Mrs. W. L. Wicks and family. They have located at Talco where he is employed.

Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Vaughan visited his brother, J. C. Vaughan and wife at Bogata Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. E. V. Pirtle and family of Longview, spending the week end at their home here, visited Aaron White, her cousin, a patient at Paris sanitarium, whose condition is reported slightly improved.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy P. Walker, Butch and Norman Guy, made a

business trip to Hugo, Ok., Saturday.

A Fellowship meeting of all surrounding churches of the Assembly of God met at the Methodist church here Friday. School dismissed at noon for the occasion.

Mrs. D. C. Thomas entertained Monday afternoon honoring her son, Larry, on his 5th birthday. Charles Dryden of Longview, spent the week end with his grandmother, Mrs. W. J. Hawkins, and Mr. and Mrs. Frank

Engagement Ring Aids Church Fund

Waterbury, Conn.—Her dead aunt's engagement ring was all one woman said she could give toward a fund being raised for improvements at the First Methodist Church. The Rev. Charles B. Hart was reluctant to accept the sacrifice. Then the Waterbury Republican mentioned the incident.

A day or so later, Hart received a telephone call from a person "who doesn't belong to our church," offering to donate the value of the ring to the improvement fund.

The check which followed was M. Pew.

Mrs. Emma Askins of Waxahachie, arrived Thursday for a visit with her daughter, Mrs. Jim Pirtle and family here and Mrs. Claud Kennedy and family at Cunningham. She returned home Monday. Kenneth Pirtle accompanied her to Mt. Pleasant.

Mr. and Mrs. Archie Mayes of Childress, visited relatives here the past week. D. A. Baxter's nephew, Bert Hendrix and wife of Kress, spent the week end with him and Mrs. T. H. Baxter.

Several local people attended the baseball game at Petty Sunday afternoon. Drue and Kenneth Pirtle are members of the ball club.

Mr. and Mrs. Francis Foster were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Hervey. Mr. and Mrs. Bill Bain are having a water well drilled on their lot at their home.

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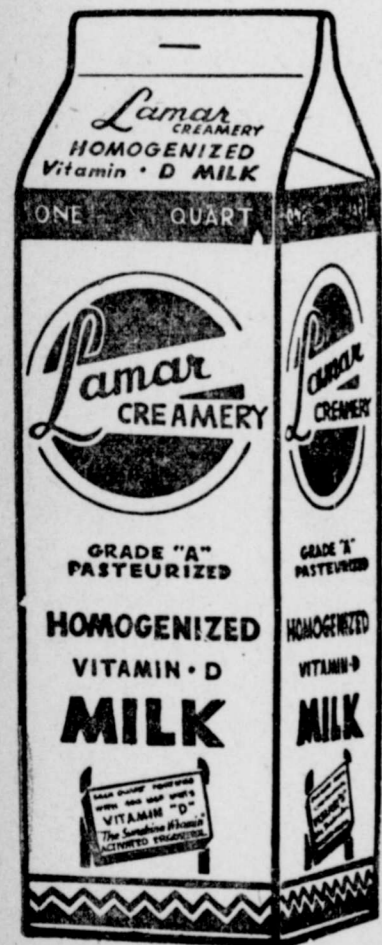
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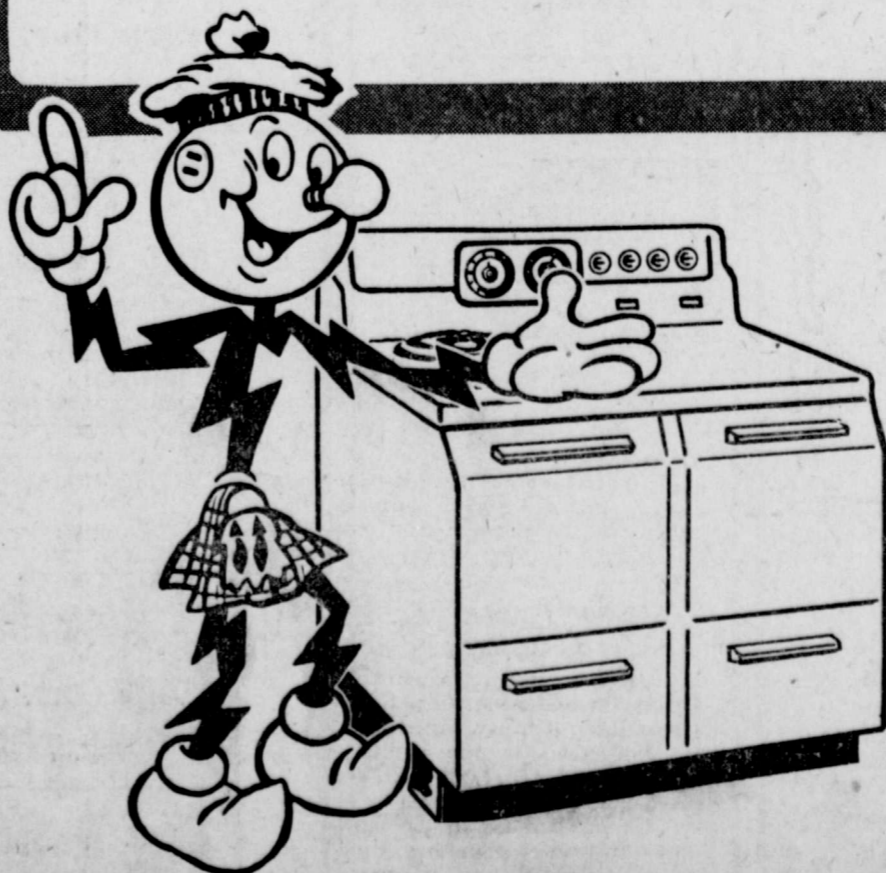
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