





## ALCORN WONDERS IF FLIGHT INTO SPACE TO BE JOKE ON SCIENTISTS

Editor's note: Achin Alcorn, philosopher on his Johnson grass farm on Sulphur seems to be undisturbed about the Russian satellite, his letter this week indicates.

Dear Editor: Last week it wasn't necessary to go out of your way at all to get hold of the main topic of discussion throughout the world—that satellite the Russians shot out into space, and while I haven't heard of anybody around here who has seen it, I'll admit if they're like me they haven't tried very hard.

If it's passing over my farm every 95 minutes, it's all right with me. There's no law against it.

But I have been thinking. Now I understand some people in the United States are concerned over the fact Russia got a satellite up first, but it doesn't bother me. I figure we'll get one up before long. The secret of a satellite is sort of like the secret of the bicycle—it's pretty generally known in scientific circles.

But what does interest me is this. I feel sure we can get a small satellite up into space, and a little later on we can get a bigger one, then a still bigger one, and if we spend enough effort and money we can finally, I suppose, get a real rocket ship up in space, with a man on board, and I'm sure we ought to do it.

But I've been thinking, what a joke it would be on the scientists if after we spend several billion dollars, get the rocket ship up all right, and the man on board successfully sails it around throughout space for a few days and then radios back: "Well, I've been around the moon twice, I've traveled a hundred million miles in every direction I can think of from the earth, I've explored everything I can find out here, and while I hate to say this, I know you've spent a lot of money getting me and this rocket ship into outer space. But there ain't nothing out here. I can't find a blamed thing out here worth having, and you can see just as much of nothing as I can by looking straight up from where you're standing on earth. No trees, no rivers, no land, no people, just a lot of nothing and a million or so monotonous stars that sun-burn you if you get close. If it's all right with you, I'd like to come back down. I'd even enjoy arguing with my wife. Anything to get away from all this blank space."

Now I'm not saying this is what'll happen, we ought to go ahead and see anyway, but we ought to keep in the back of our mind that it's possible a twinkling star is sort of like a movie acting—it looks a lot better from a distance.

Yours faithfully, A. A.

### NERVE VICTIMS IN U. S. LISTED AT 10,000,000

New York.—More than 10,000,000 persons in the United States are sufferers from nerve ailments, Basil O'Connor, president of the National Health Council said Sunday.

O'Connor made the statement in announcing publication by the council of a book entitled "Ten Million and One, Neurological Disability as a National Problem."

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### HE'LL REAP WHAT HE DIDN'T SOW

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He set the drill for a much heavier rate of seeding and finished sowing, intending to correct his mistake on the 10 acres by reseed, but he didn't get around to it.

Now the 10 acres promise a bumper yield of 40 to 50 bushels an acre, while the rest of the crop is expected to make only 15 bushels.

Mairer had no explanation.

#### NOBODY GOING

Corrective Old Gent: "My little man, you mustn't say, 'I ain't going.' You must say, 'I am not going.' He is not going. She is not going. We are not going. They are not going."

Little boy: "Gee, ain't nobody going?"

### JOHNTOWN

By MRS. G. A. VAUGHAN

Funeral services for Mrs. J. O. Cooper were held at Holiness Church Saturday at 10:30 a. m., conducted by A. I. Bond, Bogata and J. D. Lanier of Mt. Pleasant. Pallbearers were J. W. Lowry, Fred Whitten Jr., Jim Hervey, Grady Rhodes, M. J. Dodd and Bill Bain. Interment was in Bogata Cemetery with Bogata Funeral Home in charge.

Funeral services for Mrs. Willie (Cooper) Wilson, who passed away Friday at the home of her daughter, Mrs. John Blankenship of Mt. Pleasant, were held at 2:30 p. m. Saturday at Church of Christ in Bogata, conducted by Bro. Jones. Bogata Funeral Home was in charge.

Relatives here over the week end to attend the funerals of Mrs. J. O. (Oscar) Cooper, Johnstown, and Mrs. Willie (Cooper) Wilson of Mt. Pleasant, formerly of Bogata were Frank Cooper of Ft. Worth, Mrs. Virgie (Cooper) Harris of Burkburnett, Mrs. Maggie (Cooper) Wilson and family of Abilene, Mrs. Lem Cooper and two daughters of Paris, Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Watts and two daughters, Mr. and Mrs. Arvin Watts, Oneil Watts and two daughters, Mr. and Mrs. Amos Wright and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Walter France and children and Mr. and Mrs. Aubrey Cooper and children, all of Corpus Christi, Mr. and Mrs. Loy Cooper of Ft. Bliss, El Paso, Mr. and Mrs. Art Weisenfluh and children of Blossom, Ray Cooper of Chicago, Ill., Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Dodd of Ashdown, Ark., and J. O. (Boots) Cooper of Texarkana; Mr. and Mrs. Jim Kirby and daughter of Sulphur Springs, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Gibbs of Amarillo, Mr. and Mrs. Jess York, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Cooper, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Cooper of Grand Prairie, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth York and children of Ft. Worth, Mr. and Mrs. Bill R. Puckett and children of Odessa, Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Wilson and Gordon (Snooks) Wilson of Pittsburgh, Pa., Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Hawkins and children and Mr. and Mrs. E. V. Pirtle and Vance, Mr. and Mrs. Drue Pirtle and Mr. and Mrs. Harvey L. Jean, all of Longview, Mrs. T. W. Smith, Mrs. Vivian Westbrook, Mr. and Mrs. Kirby Lowry and Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Smith of Bogata, Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Smith of Mauldin.

Rupert Hinson suffered serious burns Friday while on a job in Talco oil field, when gasoline ignited setting fire to his clothing. His right arm is burned more seriously as he attempted to fight the flames from his face.

He is in Talco Clinic for treatment.

Plans were made for a get-together dinner Sunday honoring Frank Rhodes and Rupert Hinson on their birthdays. After the accident of Rupert's being burned, he was unable to be a participant at his home. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Frank Rhodes, Mrs. B. F. Rhodes and children and Janis Carol Rhodes, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Grady Rhodes, Mr. and Mrs. Francis Foster and Marion, Mrs. Emma Messick and Mr. and Mrs. Gene Daniels of Rosalie, and Mrs. Hinson and children.

Mrs. Katie Pirtle of Talco, visited her brother, Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Horn and family from Sunday until Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Pirtle and baby, formerly of Ft. Worth, moved back to their home here the past week.

Mrs. Guy P. Walker accompanied her daughter, Mrs. Ross Morris of Talco, to Abilene recently to visit their daughter and sister, Mrs. Lon Jones and family, and reports that her little granddaughter, Jan Jones, four-years-old, is scheduled for surgery in an effort to correct a heart ailment. She will enter a hospital on Nov. 4 and the major operation is set for Nov. 12.

Robert Williams, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Williams, a patient in Red River County Hospital from Monday until Wednesday of the past week for a tonsillectomy, is able to be up and out.

Visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Pirtle Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Pirtle of Talco and Mr. and Mrs. David L. Hudson. David will leave Thursday for Camp Gordon, Ga., for Army duty, after spending a 14-day leave here with his wife and at Bogata with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Hudson and other relatives.

Mrs. Emma Messick, who has been visiting her niece, Mrs. Son Thornton and family at Hawkins, arrived Saturday for a visit with Mr. and Mrs. Francis Foster and Marion, enroute to Durant, Ok., to visit her sister.

John Sale, ill at his home Saturday and Sunday, is reported improving.

Mrs. Joe Sims is in Dallas visiting in the home of her son, Robert Sims.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Condra, caretakers of Harvey ranch, visited her daughter, Mrs. J. D. Wilson and family at Ft. Worth, recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Jackie Watson, formerly of Defiance, Ohio, and Milford, Ind., where he was employed, visited relatives here over the week end.

Misses Wanda Barnard and Betty Hervey of Dallas, visited their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Barnard and Mr. and Mrs. Sam Hervey over the week end.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Black and daughters spent Sunday at Bagwell in the Jim Potter home. Monday they visited in Hugo, Ok., with her brother, Will Ward, ill at his home there.

Miss Margaret Potter of Hatfield, Ark., visited her cousin, Mrs. Francis Foster, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Potter of Dallas, visited relatives over the week end. They were called to Bogata by the serious illness of her mother, Mrs. Jim Aldridge.

Mr. and Mrs. Hal Collins of Dallas, spent the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. (Boots) Roberts.

J. B. Roberts, formerly employed in Greenville, is at home now, employed by John D. Wright of Talco.

Mrs. Francis Foster and her guest, Mrs. Emma Messick, visited Mrs. Marvin Rector Monday at Bogata.

Mrs. Irene Pew accompanied her nephew, Charles Dryden to Longview Sunday, where she attended an ordination service when M. H. Dryden was ordained deacon in Valley View Baptist Church where L. W. Lasater is pastor. Mrs. Pew will be in Dallas Tuesday for medical treatment.

### Reba Robinson and Marion Mitchell Wed

In an informal ceremony Saturday evening at 7:30, Miss Reba Robinson of Bogata, became the bride of Marion Mitchell at their new home east of Fulbright, Rev. Hoyt Brinlee, Bogata Baptist pastor, performed the double ring ceremony before the picture window, decorated in greenery and centered with a large basket of pink gladioli flanked with pink candles. Pink roses decorated the house, with the coffee table having an arrangement of grapes in a silver compote.

The bride, attired in a white satin street length Princess style dress with a V-shaped neckline, and trimmed in bows of white satin ribbon, was fastened in the back with tiny covered buttons. Her shoulder length veil was attached to a feathered crown, embroidered in rhinestone and seed pearls. Her only jewelry was a string of pearls, a gift from the groom. She carried a white Bible topped with carnations and tuberoses and sprinkled in rhinestone and seed pearls. Other accessories were of silver.

Miss Frances Mayes of Bogata, maid of honor, wore a dusty rose dress, brown accessories and a corsage of white carnations. Neil Rozell of Bogata was bestman. Burl Robinson, brother of the bride, lighted the candles.

At the reception Mrs. Maxey Lewis of Rosalie, aunt of the bride, served the three tiered cake, topped with bride and groom, surrounded in fern and baby bronze mums. Miss Wanda Topping served punch. The refreshment table was laid in a lace cloth over blue, flanked in blue candles, and bronze and yellow mums in a silver epergne. Mrs. Hester Roberts, aunt of the bride, registered guests.

After a wedding trip to Shreveport, La., they will reside in their new house recently built east of Fulbright. The groom is engaged in ranching.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Robinson of Bogata and the groom, son of Mr.

Mrs. G. A. Vaughan of Johnstown and Mr. and Mrs. James Thomas and two children, Eddie and Jamie of Talco, visited Sunday in the home of Rev. and Mrs. Alvin Blalock of Wilkinson community. They viewed their new home recently completed and furnished, also a private man-made lake in an attractive location of scenic beauty and naturalness.

Mrs. Emma Askins, who has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. Claud Kennedy and family of Cunningham, stopped Sunday afternoon for a short visit with her daughter, Mrs. Jim Pirtle, enroute to Mt. Pleasant to spend the week with a daughter, Mrs. Willie Cotten.

### MAYBE THEY NEEDED NEW MAN FOR JOB

Pontiac, Mich.—After only 13 days on the job, Leo F. Coyle, 27, resigned as Oawland County's traffic probation officer, it has been announced.

Coyle quit after it was discovered his driver's license had been suspended for 60 days because of five traffic tickets.

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## FISHING, HUNTING FACTS FOR OUTDOORS IN TEXAS RELATED

By HUGH WILLIAMSON

Survey takers, out gathering figures on hunting and fishing, have come up with some rather amazing statistics.

For example: More people hunt and fish than take part in all spectator sports combined. And anglers and hunters outnumber golfers nine to one.

Texans spend twice as much money to hunt and fish than they do for admission to all football, baseball, and basketball games, plus all other spectator sports, plus all movies and all other theatrical attractions combined.

The hunting and fishing bill of Texans is greater than that spent on medical care, dental work, and hospitalization insurance.

And the money spent for outdoor pursuits is rapidly increasing. That's because the population is growing and folks nowadays have more leisure time.

These are cold facts, based on accurate, scientific surveys, conducted for the Texas Game and Fish Commission.

**Plenty for All**  
Fortunately there is going to be a bountiful supply of fish and game for all these anglers and shooters. Building of many new lakes, stocking them, and good rains this year will mean many fish.

Deer and turkey, along with antelope, once faced extinction in Texas. Game management programs and favorable conditions afield have brought back the deer and the turkey population and put them in proper balance.

Viewers of the situation are pleased. But they see a need for more and better facilities and accommodations for the hunter and the fisherman.

**Trend in Motors**  
Another indication of change, is the trend toward bigger outboard motors. A decade ago most of these were five horsepower and under. But this year, a major manufacturer predicts that 48 per cent of the motors will be in the 30-horsepower class or larger.

This big stuff is for the speed boat people and those who tow the water skiers. It's not so much for fishermen.  
You can stir around and get up an argument between the speed boat boys and the fishermen. But I don't think it's necessary. There's plenty of water for all.

Mostly the conflict comes about when the lakes are crowded on week ends and holidays. At those times I fish where the big boat boys don't go. Below a certain dam, for instance, it's too shallow for the heavier craft. I chug along up there, dodging rocks and stumps as I go, anchor just below the dam, and catch fish.

**Belligerent Blacks**  
The best black bass fishing I know is in one or two South Texas lakes. I was down there the other day when the blacks were hitting surface lures like mad. In this particular lake there's a wooded area, with plenty of weeds and brush. The bass abound there. They are infuriated by the noise of a topwater lure. I had spectacular success with one lure that had a spinner aft. The sound it made was like a school of minnows in flight.

One thing we noticed was that a hooked fish was nearly always followed to the boat by one or two of his fellows. When I hooked one, my partner cast to the same spot to try for the other fish. I did the same when he had a fish on. Sometimes this strategy paid off.

It was a great day and a great place for bass fishing. The weather was cool enough, except just in the middle of the day. We drifted around, among the old mossy trees, casting into the shade where bass were hiding. Very often, after a twitch of the lure, a bass hit. Before the end of the day, we had our limit of blacks.

That kind of fishing is rare, but there will be more of it during the coming months, as this year's fine crop of young bass reaches maturity.

If you hanker for bass, plan to be in your best fishing spot during February and March.

**Whoopers Moving**  
The big whooping cranes are in process of moving from their breeding grounds in Canada to their winter home. Eight adult and two young birds have been sighted on the wing.

Whoopers move along by easy stages. Usually they begin arriving at their Texas refuge about the middle of October or later. Laggards will trail along at intervals.

There are only about 30 whooping cranes alive now. In flight, they appear as huge, white birds, with jet-black wing tips, red-crowned heads and long legs trailing. Please don't shoot them!

**A Few Quick Ones**  
Word reaches us that the hottest duck hunting grounds during the coming season will be in far Southeast Texas, around Beaumont. There is water in the marshes to entice the quackers. Hunting should be excellent.

Sportsmen's Clubs of Texas is timely in planning now to inaugurate a firearms training program. With the deer and turkey season just around the corner, people will be conscious of safety precautions necessary to prevent hunting accidents.

Cecil Reid, SCOT executive secretary, said the plan is designed mainly for teenagers and "would hinge on gun safety, but naturally would include emphasis on the handling of modern weapons, some of which are much more complex than the old type one-hot hammer gun."

Well Mr. Reid sure has got something there. In the old days a shot gun was either a single barrel or a double barrel, and not much complication either way. Today's shotguns—and rifles too, for that matter, are as intricate as can be. And maybe more so.

**WANTED**  
"I hear that the Ninth National Bank is looking for a cashier."  
"But I thought they just got a new one a month ago."  
"They did. That's the one they're looking for."

## SCHOOL NEWS

Following are the results of school elections since the beginning of the 1957-58 school year:

**Class Officers**  
Freshman Class: President, Jerry Ann Rothwell; vice pres., Susan Ryan; sec., Terita Hill; treas., Billy Loveless; reporter, Virgil Jones.

Sophomore Class: President, Patsy Presley; vice pres., Jere Paul Parrish; sec., Dale Funderburk; treas., Linda Shaw; reporter, Vernon Smith.

Junior Class: President, Barbara Mankins; vice pres., Starlyn O'Keefe; sec., Gail Swope; treas., Andrew Jones; reporter, Alice Ottinger.

Senior Class: President, Charles Graf; vice pres., Jerry Clements; sec., Hazel Gable; treas., Jean Calloway; reporter, Carolyn Lewis.

**Student Council**  
Representatives:  
Freshman Class—Ronnie Webb and Cecelia Hall; Sophomore—Ottis Harris and Jean Parker; Junior—Mickey Via and Mary Jo Flanagan; Senior—Leon Rodgers and Betty Hanks.

President, Jimmy Presley; vice president, Charles Lewis; secretary, Hazel Gable.

**Class Favorites**  
Freshman Class—James Via and Jerry Ann Rothwell.

Sophomore Class—Jere Paul Parrish and Virginia Johnson.

Junior Class—Bobby Fitch and Kay Locke.

Senior Class—Jerry Simmons and Janice Cunningham.

Most popular boy—Jerry Russell. Most popular girl—Mary Jo Flanagan. Mr. Talco High School—Johnny Hood; Miss Talco High School—Carolyn Lewis. Most handsome boy—Wayne Blackburn; most beautiful girl—Jean Calloway.

Mrs. Claudine Gable was elected by the board of education at their last meeting to replace Mrs. Hattie Williams who resigned her work in the school cafeteria.

**UNUSUAL THEFT MAY NOT BE USED**  
Houston.—Thieves may find themselves outfitted in what they stole from Mrs. Leone Hurlburt.

Mrs. Hurlburt dumped a package into her car and went off to continue shopping. The package was gone when she returned.

Appropriately enough, the package contained ten yards of black and white prison stripe material. "If they catch the thief, he can wear it," Mrs. Hurlburt said.

**THE BIG FIND**  
A city youngster, roaming around the country, found a pile of empty condensed milk cans. "Hey, guys," he called excitedly, "come here quick! I've found a cow's nest."

## Talco Activities 10-20 Yrs. Ago

Week of October 15, 1937

Daughters had been born to the C. M. Phillips and the Fred Bardwells.

Titus County Sheriff Grover Ard had sold 705 pints of bonded liquor in various brands that had been confiscated in raids the past several months. Sale was to B. L. Weinstein of the United Liquor Store of Dallas, the amount of \$322, all of which went to the state except necessary costs to the sheriff's department.

Talco Trojans had dropped their first game of the season to the strong Jefferson eleven in a dedication game and crowning of the football queen ceremony at Jefferson.

The Arkansas-Louisiana Gas Co. was building a \$110,000 compressor unit at Talco.

Talco school enrollment had reached 800.

A daughter had been born to Mr. and Mrs. Bill Kitchen.

Funeral service had been held at Jothtown for J. P. Ragsdill, 83, who had been a merchant there for 50 years.

John A. Cook, district attorney, had been indicted on two charges of being drunk.

Dale Myers of Goose Creek and Margaret Coffey of Mt. Pleasant, had been married. They were to make their home at Talco, where the groom was connected with the Housh-Thompson Oil Co.

Sleeping sickness among horses was prevailing in this area.

Funeral services had been conducted for nine-months old William Loyd Heady at Jothtown.

Week of October 17, 1947

Two area residents had been nominated by President Truman for regular army and air force commissions. They were First Lt. Wayne M. Duncan of Talco, and First Lt. Walter J. McAuley of Mt. Vernon.

Mrs. G. E. Burks had entertained with a birthday party honoring her daughter, Martha Ann. Ex-students had flocked to Tal-

## CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our sincere thanks and appreciation to our friends and neighbors for their kindness and thoughtfulness shown during the recent illness and death of our husband and father, R. L. Randle. The food was wonderful and deeply appreciated. The flowers were beautiful and the words of kindness shall never be forgotten. To the pastors, Bros. Rhyn, Arnold, Kennedy and Speed we also express our deepest gratitude. To Smith & Bates goes our thanks also for the wonderful consideration shown to all the family. Our heartfelt prayer is that God Bless and keep each and everyone of you. The R. L. Randle Family.

## WHAT DID HE WANT?

Nervous suitor: "Sir, er—that is, I mean I have been going with your daughter for five years..."

Father: "Well, whaddye want—a pension?"

co for the annual school homecoming. New officers elected for the Exes were: President, Bill Miller; 1st vice-pres., Gene Dixon; 2nd vice-pres., Roy Lilley; 3rd vice-pres., Billy Gene Jones; sec., Merl Flannagan; treas., Christelle Cato; program committee, Annie Sue Goodroe.

Marriages: Mrs. Martha Milligan of Paris and Guy Smelser of Bogata; Miss Margie Williams and Johnny Mayes, both of Bogata.

Miss Dorcas Vaught, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Monroe Vaught, was a student nurse at a Sherman hospital.

Talco Postmaster George Barber was attending the National Postmasters convention in Los Angeles, Calif.

Dr. E. L. Miller had moved to Talco from San Augustine, where he had practiced for three years. He had purchased the home of the late Mrs. Nellie Warner.

New uniforms had arrived for the twirlers and flag bearers of the Trojan band. Doris Pittman was drum major of the High School band. Majorettes were Joyce Brewer, Ann Hall, Katie Trimble.

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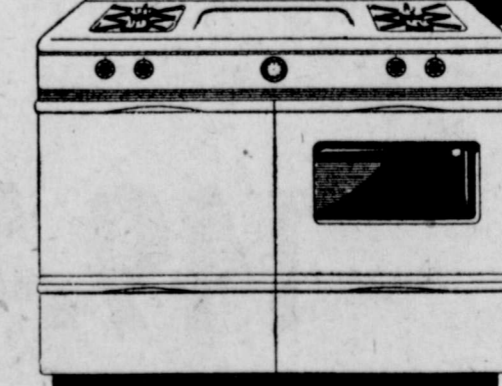
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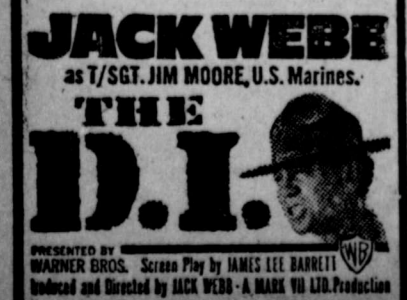
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- You may have heard some hunter called a "Nimrod." Why should he be given that name?
- You have read about how, a runaway from home, Jacob lay down in a lonely place with a stone for his pillow and dreamed about a ladder reaching to heaven. But why was he a runaway?
- You have heard about Moses in the flags. Why did his mother put him there? Why didn't she just keep him at home?
- When Moses was commanded to lead his people out of slavery, he seems to have doubted whether he was the right man for it and to have argued with God about it. Why did he doubt himself?
- When Samuel was a little boy, he once went to Eli the priest, who had been like a father to him, and told him that great trouble was going to come upon him. Why did he do it?
- When Saul first became king, some were against him. Then, suddenly, he was immensely popular. Why?

II. Who Said It?

- "Why tarriest thou? arise, and be baptized, and wash away thy sins, calling on the name of the Lord."
- "Blessed are the peacemakers: for they shall be called the children of God."
- "My brethren, count it all joy when ye fall into divers temptations; knowing this, that the trying of your faith worketh patience."

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### HIGHLIGHTS AND SIDELIGHTS FROM YOUR STATE CAPITOL

By VERN SANFORD, Texas Press Association

Austin.—There's talk now of not just one, but two special sessions of the Legislature. East Texas House members, who served as a tightly-knit team in pushing pro-segregation laws last year, are asking Governor Price Daniel for a chance to put through some more.

Texas needs laws to prevent the kind of trouble that developed in Little Rock, say the East Texans. Specifically, they propose (1) a law to allow local boards to close schools in case of riots or occupation by troops and (2) a measure directing the Attorney General to assist local school systems involved in federal suits to enforce integration.

Daniel said, "It may be we should take some further action." But he said he thought the East Texans were wise in not suggesting the segregation issues be added to the agenda of the session which opened Monday. It was called to work on lobby registration, regulation of practice before agencies, water conservation and crime study. Most observers think thrashing out all the details on these will take a full 30 days.

**FOUR INDICTED** — Travis County Courts, which serve as the arena in which state officials are taken to task, are due many more months of statewide attention.

After four months of studying the history of the ICT Insurance Co., a Travis grand jury returned perjury indictments against Former Insurance Commissioner Garland A. Smith and J. Byron Saunders. It also indicted ICT's onetime manager, Ben Jack Cagle, on charges of bribing the commissioners. Also Smith's son-in-law, Max Wayne Rychlik, on perjury charges.

Jurors recommended state laws be strengthened, particularly in regard to liabilities and responsibilities of company officers and board members. There wasn't time to go into legislative lobbying, said the weary jury. But it urged a law requiring registration and expense reports by lobbyists.

Proof that the jury's tiresome task took its toll was the hospitalization of one member just as the term ended, reportedly suffering from "physical exhaustion."

**WATER REVIEW** — Sectional rivalries and lack of money have hobbled past efforts for an overall water conservation program in Texas. So said speakers at the Texas Water Conservation meeting where water problems confronting the special legislative session were previewed.

State Water Board Chairman R. M. Dixon said his department has never had enough money to carry out its assigned duties. He asked for more money to gather data and pay salaries comparable with other state departments.

House Speaker Waggoner Carr pointed out that legislators have had trouble getting together on a water program because they reflect the conflicting ideas of their constituents, said Carr. He urged cooperation.

Governor Daniel recommended a water plan to take care of needs up to the year 2000. "We can go forward," he said, "and guarantee the future growth and prosperity of our state, or do nothing and face economic stagnation."

**WATER AMENDMENT**—Governor Daniel has expressed great pleasure over the widespread in-

terest in passage of the Constitutional Amendment for water development. He pointed out that the measure, which is third on Nov. 5 ballot, has received the endorsement of the state's leading organizations and associations.

"Each day's mail brings additional support from local chambers of commerce and other civic organizations as well as private citizens interested in the welfare of Texas," the governor added.

**ROD AND GUN STATISTICS** —Texans spend twice as much money to hunt and fish as they do for admission to all football, baseball and basketball games, plus all other spectator sports, plus all the movies and other theatrical attractions combined.

Here are some other facts: Anglers and hunters outnumber golfers 9 to 1. They also spend more on hunting and fishing than all Texans spend on medical and dental care and hospitalization, insurance.

**FLU CASES PILE UP**—"That foreign flu" is getting familiar to Texans. Reported cases doubled in a week, according to the State Health Department, bringing the total of flu-like illnesses to 62,319. A number of schools had to close after absences skyrocketed. Many others canceled football games, band concerts and other special events.

**COTTON FORECAST UP** —Texas' 1957 cotton crop will be 83 per cent of normal, says the U. S. Department of Agriculture. October estimate is for 4,100,000 bales—a half million bales more than was expected in September.

USDA also reported that mild fall weather was helping farmers in many areas. Scattered showers brought up winter wheat on the plains and encouraged volunteer oats and other pasturage for cattle over wide areas. Weather also was favorable for harvesting peanuts, rice and sweet potatoes.

**APPOINTED BY GOVERNOR** —named by Governor Daniel to serve on state boards are: W. W. Heath, Austin attorney, rancher and banker... to the State Board for Hospitals and Special Schools.

Dr. B. B. Brown of Dalas (reappointed) and Dan McKnight of Rocksprings to the State Board of Pharmacy.

Dr. Elmer C. Baum of Austin, Cyrus Hill Lambert, a pharmacist of El Paso, and Dr. William Hibbits of Texarkana, to the State Board of Health.

Dale Briussard of Beaumont and Norman Bratcher of Denison to the State Board of Morticians.

**SHORT SNORTS** — People in Brazos County, home of Texas A&M, are unhappy. Their county was assigned auto license plates with the prefix letters TU. That, to Aggies, sounds too much like the initials of their arch-rival, the University of Texas. What they don't know is that tags with AM letters now are appearing on Austin cars... Texans leaving the Armed Forces in September was more than double the number entering service, reports State Selective Service Headquarters... Despite an attorney general's ruling that the House speaker and lieutenant governor are legally entitled to Capitol living quarters, former State Sen. Joe Hill is still trying to get them thrown out. Hill has carried his fight to the Court of Civil Appeals where he contends the practice was unconstitutional and "ridiculous," besides.

### LOCAL NEWS

by MRS. W. E. WELCH Reporter Phone DR 9-3511

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Foster and Linda attended the Fair in Dallas on Saturday.

Mrs. Zula McDonald of Newsum, was a Sunday guest of Mrs. Gabie Crawford.

Freddy Stevenson has returned home after several weeks' visit with relatives in Lubbock.

Mr. and Mrs. B. G. Tate of Athens, spent the week end with their daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Fail.

Dallas Black of Scoggins, arrived Thursday to visit his daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Kyle Munn and Nelwyn.

Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Jones and family, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Carlisle of Gladewater on Sunday.

Mrs. D. J. Smelley accompanied by Mr. Smelley will spend Friday and Saturday in Dallas, where she will receive medical check-up.

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Miller and Mrs. Betty Winkle attended the State Fair of Texas on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Buckner of Laneville, were week end guests of Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Smelley.

Mrs. Wayne Norman and son of Grand Prairie, are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Ross on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Waddell of Stuttgart, Ark., visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Alex Waddell, Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Sonny Henderson and Louis of Mt. Pleasant, spent Saturday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Zeno Gieger.

Visiting in the G. N. Anderson home, Humble Camp, this week are Mr. and Mrs. George N. Anderson, Jr., of Houston.

Mrs. Betty Winkle, Charles and Mrs. W. A. Hawthorne visited Mr. and Mrs. George Winkle at Clarksville on Friday.

Mrs. Betty Hopwood and children of Texarkana, were week end visitors of Mrs. O. B. Hopwood and Mrs. F. A. Jones Sr.

The Ground Observers Corps will meet Thursday evening at 7:30 at the school building. Everyone who can, is urged to be present.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Coker spent the week end with their daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Parisee, Gary, Mark and Robin of Grandview.

Talco rainfall from Sunday noon until Monday night was 2.9 inches in the north section, varying, according to reports in different sections of the community.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Poston, Mary and Arnold Phillips of Cisco, were visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Foster and Mr. and Mrs. G. G. Ryan, over the week end.

Mr. and Mrs. Elroy Brock and children accompanied his mother, Mrs. W. A. Brock, to her home in Kilgore over the week end. Mrs. Brock had been attending her son's family while they were ill with flu.

A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Joe Suel Tuesday at a Mt. Pleasant hospital. She weighed 7 lbs. plus a few ozs. Grandparents are Mrs. Allie Johnson of Talco and Mrs. Geo. Webb.

Mrs. Johnny Cook and two small daughters attended the Fair in Dallas on Tuesday. The older daughter, Diane, is a member of Talco school band and attended the Fair with the other members of the band on Tuesday.

Darrell Morris, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Morris, arrived home Friday after being discharged from the Army at Camp Chaffee, Ark., where he spent his enlistment, attending radio communication school and instructing classes.

Mr. and Mrs. Felix Jones visited from Friday until Monday in Abilene with Mr. and Mrs. Lon Jones, Janet and Debbie, and Cato, who is attending ACC. Also, Nelda, who lives in Dallas and the Gaines Robinson family in Fort Worth.

Monday visitors of Mr. and Mrs. V. L. Taylor were her brother and family, Mr. and Mrs. "Red" Dillard of Leonard and their daughters, Mrs. Pat Massey and two daughters of Andrews and Mr. and Mrs. Jessie Hyatt and baby of Austin.

Mrs. W. E. Welch accompanied Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Hanson of Bogata to Daingerfield on Sunday to accompany their granddaughter, Patti, to the Hanson home for a visit while her father, D. E. Welch is recuperating from flu.

Mr. and Mrs. Jeep Hargrove and Becky left Wednesday for Dallas, where they will spend the rest of the week visiting her brother, Jackie Lloyd and family. They were met in Dallas by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Colquitt Lloyd of Marlin; they attended the Fair.

On Monday night Rev. J. H. Sartor, accompanied by 16 members of the congregation of the Assembly of God church, attended a meeting of the Christ's Ambassadors at Texarkana. The local body brought home the attendance banner in spite of the bad, rainy weather.

### Mrs. Collins Hostess To Fine Arts Club

Mrs. C. C. Collins was hostess to the Fine Arts Club at her home Tuesday afternoon. The program "Have You Heard About My Vacation?" was introduced

Guests of Mr. and Mrs. S. O. Loving during the week end were Mrs. Bonnie Pucket of Lubbock, Mrs. Vera Wagnon, Odessa, and Mrs. Georgia Mae Eason of Dодgers, Ark. They attended the funeral of their uncle, P. L. Jennings at Saltillo on Saturday.

Mrs. H. E. Stuart and Brenda of Grannis, Ark., spent the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Northam. Accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Northam, David and Kay of Mt. Pleasant on Saturday. Karen Stuart returned home with her mother after a week's visit with her grandparents.

Neil A. Waddell, Fire Control Technician, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Waddell of Talco, is currently serving aboard the modern attack aircraft carrier USS Hornet CVA-12. The Hornet is now undergoing training in preparation for its next tour of duty in the Far East. Waddell, who entered the Naval service October 4, 1955, reported on board from the Naval Training Center, San Diego, Calif. Before entering the Navy, he attended Paris Junior College, and was employed by Waddell's Grocery and Market.

by Mrs. Collins, as program chairman. Roll call, intriguingly named "Edging In" was answered by each member giving a brief description or outstanding event of her own vacation.

Mrs. M. E. Jones presented the program by describing in fascinating detail her recent bus trip to the Pacific Northwest and Canada and points of interest enroute. Mrs. Jones traveled by chartered bus with a group of forty persons from Northwestern State College, Natchitoches, La., and the educational tour covered a period of 25 days.

President Mrs. Howard Johnson presided during the business session. She called attention to the board of directors meeting Texas Federation of Women's Clubs, to be held Nov. 4-6th at Houston. In addition to the important business sessions, the meeting will include many prominent speakers, various special events and entertaining features. Mrs. Johnson will be hostess on October 29 at her home when the club will present its Art program, the speakers to be Mrs. J. H. Weatherall and Mrs. G. N. Anderson.

Members present were: Mmes. Sidney Frugis, S. O. Loving, Anderson, Jones, Johnson, Collins, and a visitor, Mrs. George N. Anderson, Jr., from Houston.

Our lady reader in another town writes in to say that she is suing hubby for a divorce. She hopes the court will award her custody of the children. In that event she hopes the court will provide a baby sitter.

**ABOUT TO FLIP?**

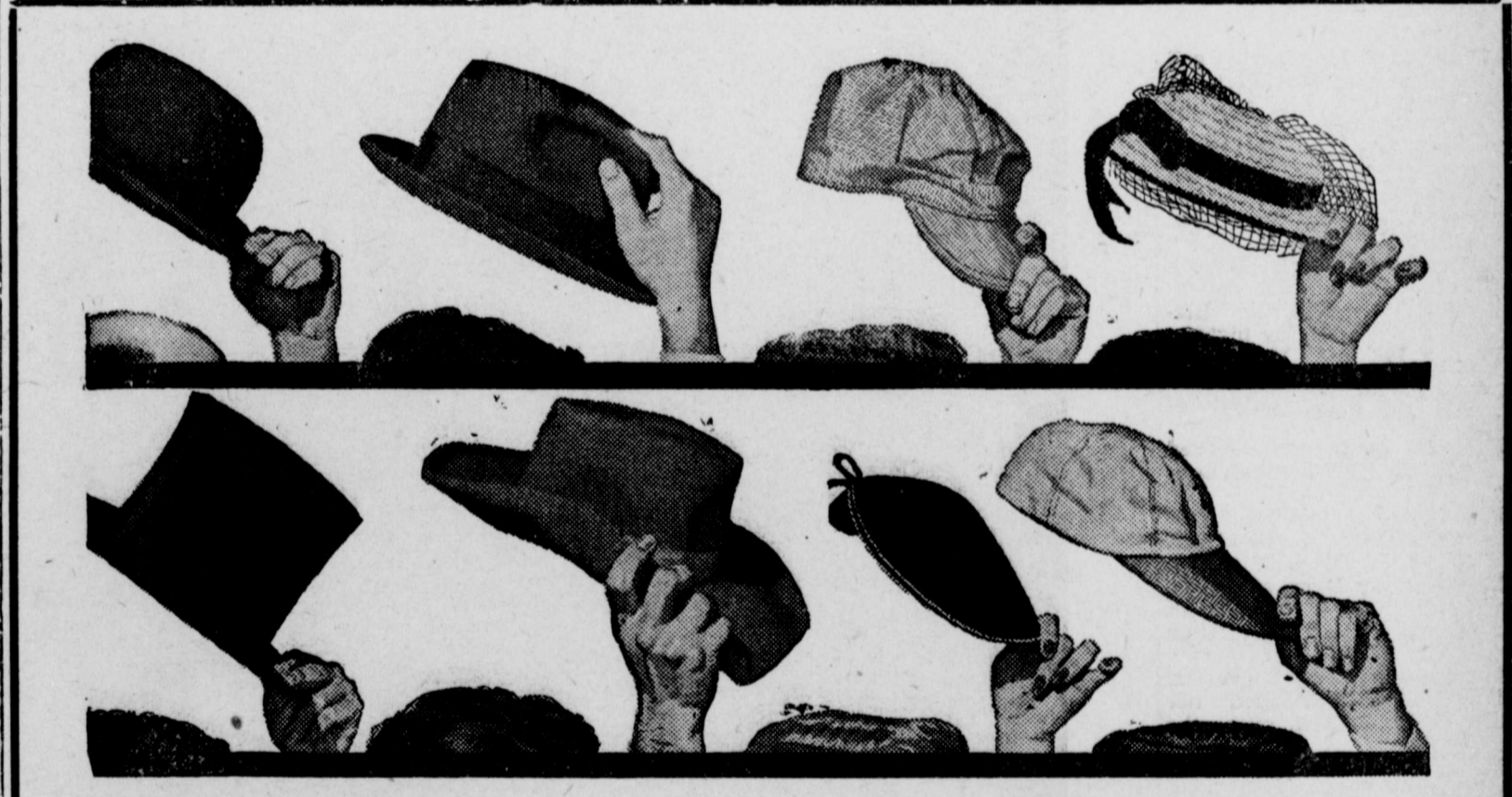


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**WILKINSON**

By MRS. MORRIS BLALOCK  
Mrs. Emma Jones spent Wednesday with her brother, Hugh Wilson and wife of Mt. Pleasant.  
Mrs. Alvin Blalock and Mrs. Morris Blalock were in Mt. Pleasant Wednesday.  
Mrs. C. B. Harris and Mrs. Jno. Parr, Mrs. Emma Jones made a trip to Mt. Pleasant.  
Mrs. Kenneth Baxley and sons of Mt. Pleasant, spent Thursday night with her grandmother, Mrs. Emma Jones.  
Mrs. Emma Jones spent Monday and Tuesday with Mrs. Kenneth Baxley of Mt. Pleasant.  
Mrs. Harold Holcomb and children of Mt. Pleasant, visited her mother, Mrs. Alvin Blalock.  
Mr. and Mrs. Remus Burgin of Talco, visited in the A. T. Blalock home Tuesday.  
Mr. and Mrs. Remus Burgin of Mt. Pleasant, visited Wednesday in the A. T. Blalock home.  
Rev. and Mrs. Gordon Renshaw and family of Jacksonville, visited in the home of A. T. Blalock Thursday.  
Mr. and Mrs. P. P. Hendrix of Talco and Mrs. E. E. Blalock and son visited in the A. T. Blalock home Friday afternoon.  
Joe Blalock of Marshall, was a guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Grady Blalock, Friday night.  
Mr. and Mrs. Otis Fry, who are employed at Hamlin, are the proud parents of a baby girl, born Oct. 8, named Brenda May, and weighing 8 lbs., 7 ozs.  
A. T. Blalock left Friday for a few days visit in Dallas with his daughter, Mrs. T. C. Riddle, and Mrs. Delmo Blalock.  
Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Cates and Jo, who is employed in the school, left for his home in Cass County for a week end visit Friday evening.  
Mrs. Hugh Crooks of Midway, visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Bragg, Tuesday.  
Mr. and Mrs. Loyd Haren and family have returned home from Eden, where he has been employed for several months.  
Mr. and Mrs. V. C. Blalock of Maple Springs, were Friday guests of Rev. and Mrs. Alvin Blalock.  
Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Haren moved to Dallas this week.  
Mr. and Mrs. Sam Predy and children of Dallas, were week end visitors of Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Moles and family.  
Rev. and Mrs. Smith and boys were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Phillips.  
Mr. and Mrs. Odell Belcher and little daughter of Mt. Pleasant, were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Phillips.  
Mr. and Mrs. Dean Brownlee and sons and Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Shipp and son of Mt. Pleasant, were week end visitors of Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Harris.  
Mr. and Mrs. Morris Blalock and Pallie visited their daughters, Dorothy and Marcia Blalock, in Dallas Saturday night.  
Visiting Mr. and Mrs. John Smith over the week end were Mr. and Mrs. Roger Cabell of Talco.  
Raymond Smith was admitted to a Mt. Pleasant hospital Sunday.  
Mrs. Raymond Smith and children were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Dyke.  
Miss Dorothy Dyke of Dallas, was home for the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Allen Dyke.  
Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Logan and children of Dallas, visited her father, Allie Blalock, over the week end.  
Mr. and Mrs. Beris Criswell and children have moved here from Green Hill. We welcome them.

**BIRTHDAY PARTY HONORS PATTI WELCH**

Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Welch honored their daughter, Patti DuJuan with a belated birthday dinner on Friday night at their home in Daingerfield. Her birthday was Sept. 26. The dinner was a squirrel dinner with all the trimmings. The table was centered with a beautiful heart-shaped, white birthday cake decorated in blue. Those enjoying the evening with Patti were her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Hanson of Bogata, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Welch, Talco and the host and hostess. Patti received many lovely and useful gifts.

**B. THORNTON RELEASED FROM NAVAL SERVICE**

Bobby Thornton, son of Mrs. Bill Thornton of Bogata, recently received an honorable discharge from the U. S. Navy at San Diego, Calif. Entering the Navy the day after he graduated from Bogata High School in 1954, Thornton served aboard the attack transport USS Lenawee, taking part in the well-publicized evacuation of refugees from Tachen Island to Formosa.  
Married in June of 1955 to Miss Jitter Smith of Talco, the Thorntons now have a six-months-old son, Terry Dale. Since his release from the Navy, they have moved to 9530 1/4 Firestone, Downey, Calif.

**HIS EXERCISE**

"My husband plays tennis, swims and goes in for physical exercises. Does your husband take regular exercise?"  
"Well, last week he went out seven nights running."

**Book Lovers Club With Mrs. Sanford**

Mrs. R. W. Sanford was hostess to the Book Lovers Club Friday afternoon at her new country home, Dahlias and roses tastefully arranged further enhanced the beauty of the home.  
Mrs. E. W. Smith presided at the meeting. The club prayer was read by Mrs. R. R. Kelley. Ten members answered roll call.  
Mrs. Guy Walker, as program chairman, added the spice of variety with her cleverness and originality in introducing the participants in the presentation of her program, which was a debate, "Resolved That Men Should Help with the Housework." Mrs. Dan Cotten and Mrs. Louis Cato defended the negative side. Mrs. H. O. Williams and Mrs. B. L. Gieger affirmed this to be true,

**CROSS-BREEDING MIGHT HELP**

East Hartford, Conn.—Nicholas Konon, a grafting expert who grows plums on peach trees, is trying the same trick with maples. He said, "The books say it can't be done but who knows—maybe I'll wind up with plums flavored with maple syrup."

**LOCAL CHURCH WORKERS ATTEND DISTRICT MEET**

A group from First Baptist Church attending the district meeting of the Women's Missionary Auxiliary Fellowship Association at Macedonia Baptist Church on Thursday included Rev. and Mrs. C. W. North and Eva Sue Harper, Mrs. George Burleson and Clark, Mrs. Aline Morgan, Mrs. Wayman Alexander, Mrs. Bob Pope, Mrs. Jack Mills and Randy.

Mrs. C. W. North is president of the district WMA. Mrs. Bob Pope was on the program, which was, "Savior—An Acrostic."

On Thursday at 7:30 p. m. the Fellowship district BTS met with First Baptist Church in Talco. A wonderful program was enjoyed. Talco took the percentage banner for the past quarter.

**PATRICIA RYAN PLEDGED LES CHOISITES**

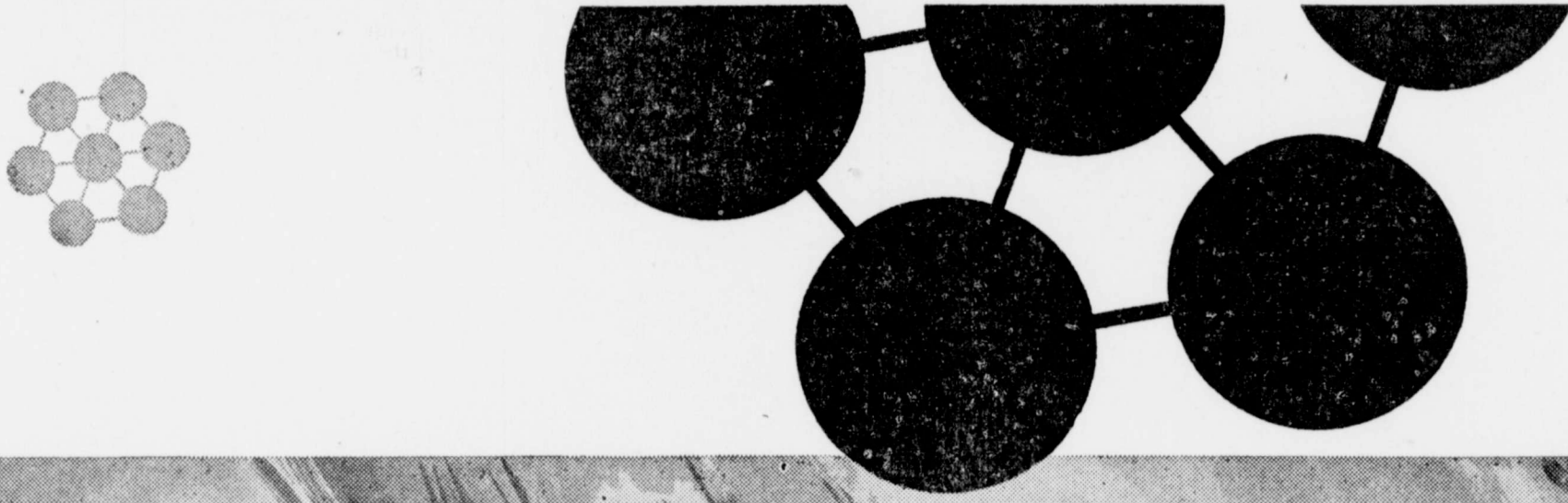
Miss Patricia Ryan, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. G. Ryan, student in East Texas State College at Commerce, pledged Les Choisites social club. Patricia is a graduate of Talco High School and was active in church, school and social activities. Other Talco students with membership in the club are Miss Bobby Ann Blackburn, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Blackburn, social chairman; Miss Becky Foster, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Foster, corresponding secretary; Miss Janell Brown, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Farris Brown; Miss Jackie Winn, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Winn, president of the club. The club pinned colors Saturday, Oct. 12.

If you stand for nothing, you'll fall for anything.

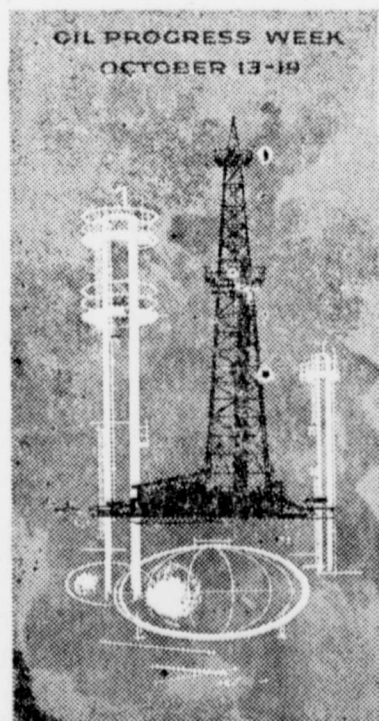
**Answers to**

**KNOW YOUR BIBLE FAMILY QUIZ**

1. The word comes from the story of the tower of Babel, in which we are told that the languages of the people were made different so that they could not understand one another. (Gen. 11: 7.)
2. In the tenth chapter of Genesis, we read that Nimrod "was a mighty hunter before the Lord."
3. He had deceived his father and cheated his twin brother, who was now very angry with him. No wonder he wanted to get away. (Gen. 27.)
4. Moses' people were being ruled by the Egyptians, who passed a cruel law that every son born to the Israelites should be thrown into the river. (Ex. 2.)
5. Moses said that he was "slow of speech, and of a slow tongue." (Ex. 4: 10-14.)
6. It had come to him in the night, as an order from God. (1 Sam. 3.)
7. Because of his swift and successful campaign against the Ammonites, who were besieging Jabesh-Gilead. (1 Sam. 11.)
8. Ananias. (Acts 22: 16.)
9. Jesus. (Matt. 5: 9.)
10. James. (1: 2, 3.)



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