Established May 1936

### Ropes FFA **Members to Attend Electric School**

**Eight Pages** 

The electric school sponsored by Southwestern Public Service Company will be conducted in Amarillo, Texas on June 10-11-12, 1974. Future Farmers from this area will be trained by professional members of the Southwestern Public Service Company in electrical skills. About 80 Future Farmers from the area served by Southwestern Public Service Company will attend. The school is under the direction of Mr. Sam A. Thomas of the company.

Those attending from the Ropes Chapter of FFA will be Glen Cole and Randy Ferguson. To be eligible, a boy must live in an area served by Southwestern Service Company, have had basic electricity in Vocational Agriculture, and be recommended by his agriculture teacher.

Glen and Randy will board a chartered bus in Lubbock on June 10 at 6:45 a.m. for Amarillo and will return on Wednesday of the same week. Their agriculture teacher, C.T. McCormick, will drive them to the bus.

### "A Look At The Past"

From Ropesville Plainsman June 6, 1957

At the regular meeting of the Ropes City Council, the office of City Judge was abolished. It was pointed out that since the office of city judge was showing no revenue, and due to the fact that the continued rain has cut the city revenue in half or less, the city is no longer able to maintain the office. The Salary of \$50 a month is also abolished.

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The establishment of a swimming pool was discussed at the regular meeting of the Lions Club on Monday night, and they expressed themselves as being heartily in favor of anything that would promote the building of a pool in Ropes.

#### \*\*\*\*\*\*

While reports are unofficial, and taken from private rain gauges, it is estimated that from 11 to 20 inches of rain have fallen over the Ropes area since the first of April. The rain of Friday, Saturday, Sunday and Monday, is reported to have dropped as much as 7 inches in places.

At a meeting of a representative bunch of citizens on Tuesday night, the feasibility of paving the residential streets was discussed. Mayor Gene Pierce acted as chairman of the meeting.

A committee of three, Woodrow Jones, Troy Morris and Ralph Riojas, was appointed to meet with the Commissioners Court and see if the court would help in any way on the paving.

Rev. Frank Story is the new pastor for the Ropes Methodist Church. Rev. H.W. Gaston, who has been with the church here for the past year, has been transferred to Big Spring.

# Randy Smith to Attend Boys State



LITTLE DRIBBLERS - JUNIOR DIVISION: Top Row left to right: Ronda Bednarz, Karla Watts, Gerrie Stephenson, Ramona Melton and Elsa Cruz. Bottom Row left to right: Monica Ream, Melanie Carpenter, Laura Schoepf, Lisa Evans and Andrea Glenn.

Due to a cancellation in the Littlefield Regional Tournament, Ropes Junior girls were invited to participate. In Thursday's game, Ropes was defeated by Hale Center but won their second game, beating Sudan 36-11. In a Saturday morning game, Littlefield won with a score of 36-6. This eliminated the Ropes team from the tournament. The games offered the girls a chance to play as a team and the experience will definitely help them in the future.

# Ropesville Area

Mr. and Mrs. J.R. Smith visited in the home of their son, James and family of Graham, Texas Saturday and Sunday. While there they made the acquaintence of their new granddaughter. On the way back, they visited another son, Gerald and family of Sweetwater. \*\*\*\*\*\*\*

Visitors in the home of Mrs. Estell Arant Sunday, were her children, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Arant and children of Levelland, Mr. and Mrs. Dick Arant and children of Ropes.

Visitors in the John Ream's home Sunday was her sister, Margie Gaut and her children Annette and Tommy, from Wolfforth; their daughter Pam and Jay Talley and Billy Johnson. The backyard pool was filled and everyone enjoyed a cool swim, except the old folks.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Loveless, Mrs. Manfield Thomas and Libby attended the Loveless reunion in Byars, Okla. Saturday and Sunday. There were 52 present and all reported a good time. They

### Plainsman Has New Reporter this Week

Mrs. Isla Etheridge, a native of Ropes, is now the news reporter for the Ropes Plainsman.

We are happy to be associated with Mrs. Etheridge, and invite everyone to contact her for your news articles. She lives at 1009 Ellington in Ropes or phone her at 562-3371. Mailing address is Box 123, Ropesville.

We are We gratefully acknowledge the help and past association with Billie Evans for her untiring work as news reporter for the Plainsman. She has decided to give up this venture so she may spend more time with her family and other projects.

visited in Oklahoma City Friday night with Clyde's sister.

Mrs. Ann Perkins went to Duncan, Okla. last Tuesday to be with her mother who had surgery Wednesday. She is reported to be doing fine at this time. We hope she will soon be well and able to be back home. \*\*\*\*\*

Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Littlefield and daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Benny Tindel, Renea and Rickey of Levelland, visited the Carlsbad Caverns this past weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Emory Hobbs and son, Merlin, attended a funeral Saturday in Amarillo of Mr. Hobbs' nephew Warren Gilbert.

Mrs. Emory Hobbs and Joyce Dorsey took Mrs. Hobbs grandchildren to play miniature golf in Lubbock Sunday. They are Mark, Steve and Bruce Dorsey, Billy Gryder, Chris and Melody Hobbs. \*\*\*\*\*\*

Mrs. Emory Hobbs, Nell Hobbs and Inez Price visited the Tops Club in Brownfield Thursday

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Mrs. Vera Bridwell visited her sister-in-law, Essie Drake in Levelland last week. Theyvisited relatives in Littlefield.

Mrs. Vera Bridwell visited her daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Staples and Rhonda Saturday and Sunday.

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Joel Drake, son of Mr. and Mrs. J.T. Drake underwent surgery on one of his heels last Friday. His heel was injured sometime ago while riding a motorcycle. He is doing fine.

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Betty Rae Moore of Lubbock, Jay and Dee Briggs of Ropes. Mineral Wells for their grandson,

Randy Smith of Ropesville will be leaving for Boy's State on June 12, 1974 from Lubbock by chartered bus to Austin, where he will participate in Boy's State 1974. The boys are sponsored by American Legion Post 575 of Lubbock. Randy's expenses, except for eight dollars added bus fare, will be paid by the Ropes Lions Club.

Randy was chosen by a committee of teachers of Ropes High School to attend the 1974 version of Boy's State. The committee was headed by Mr. C.T. McCormick, Agriculture Teacher at Ropes. Mr. McCormick is also a member of American Legion Post 575 and the Ropes Lions Club. A boy must have completed his junior year in high school and be chosen to represent his school to be eligible to attend Boy's State.

In addition to being chosen for this honor, Randy was chosen as the outstanding agriculture student in Ropes High School in 1973-74. His application has passed district and area check and has gone to the state committee for approval for the degree of Lone Star Farmer of 1974. This honor is allowed to only 2% of the active members of the Future Farmers of America each year. It is the highest honor that the State can award a member. If approved, Randy will receive the degree at the State FFA Convention that will be held July 10-11-12, 1974 in San Antonio.

### Dr. and Mrs. Thomas Thedford to Spend Next Two Years in Africa

Kenya in east Africa will be home during the next two years for Dr. Thomas Thedford and his family, RFD 3, Stillwater, Okla.

Thedford, faculty member in the College of Veterinary Medicine at Oklahoma State University since 1965, will conduct classroom and clinical teaching, and conduct

research, at University of Nairobi. His foreign service is authorized under Colorado State University's AID "Point Four" contract to supply technical assistance to Kenya. He will return to his present position of associate professor of veterinary medicine and surgery at Oklahoma State.

The Thedford family includes

daughter Becky, 13, and daughter Miram, 9. The Thedfords will live in the city of Nairobi, the capital of Kenya. Dr. Thedford is a native of Tyler, Texas; attended Crosbyton and

Mrs. Thedford, the former Nancy

Martin of Ropesville, Texas;

Idalou High Schools, and received the D.V.M. degree from Texas A&M in 1959. He was a ranch veterinarian near Waco following graduation, and was in private practice at Floydada, Texas, for five years before joining the Oklahoma State faculty.

Mrs. Thedford's parents, Mr. and Mrs. A.R. Martin, are residents of Ropesville.

### City Wide Clean-Up Will Continue In Ropesville Through Saturday

the city-wide clean-up day, Saturday, June 8th.

The City Council asks that everyone (men, women, and children) help in this project to

and Mrs. O.K. Briggs last week.

Weekend visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Evans were Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Brock of Odessa, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Parker, Mr. and Mrs. Kelly Brannon of Lubbock, Alfred Evans and Jimmy from Ft. Hood.

The Senior Citizens met at the Community Building Monday, June 3 and had lunch. There were 10 present. John Gildersleeve of Levelland discussed food stamps. \*\*\*\*\*\*\*

Mr. and Mrs. Delbert Hall and children are visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hall, this week. Delbert is retiring from the Army after serving 20 years. They will soon be moving near Littlefield.

Mr. and Mrs. Allen Watson recently attended Baccalaureate and Graduation services in Hobbs, N.M. for their grandson, Michael Small.

Mr. and Mrs. Allen Watson and Mrs. Ada Kimberlin recently attended graduation exercises in visited their grandparents, Mr. Earl Halford. Earl attended school

There will be a continuation of make Ropes a cleaner place in which to live.

> People of the community should take pride in the cleaning of their own yards, and extend that pride throughout the city.

in Ropes.

Mrs. Ada Kimberlin visited a daughter, Sylvia Patterson, last week. Allen and Ina went fishing. They all attended a family reunion in Greenville last Sunday.

\*\*\*\*\*\*\* Ron and Shannon Watson of

Lubbock are visiting their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Allen Watson, this week. \*\*\*\*\*\*\*

Mr. and Mrs. G.W. Sosebee attended a funeral of Mr. Sosebee's uncle, Walter Sosebee, last week in Whitney, Texas. \*\*\*\*\*\*

Shyrle Ann Kocurko of New Orleans, La. visited in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Harris, last week. \*\*\*\*\*\*\*

The Baptist Spanish Mission Church held their vacation Bible School last week. They had an average attendance of 80 or more.

The Nazarene Church with pastor B. Edwin Perkins, closed its children's Crusade Sunday morning, with a program by children and adults. There were 63 enrolled and special children's worker was Mrs. Jaffie Hubbard of Waco.

For some reason, the actions

of the Labor Department

agents supposed to be enforc-

ing this law which few under-

stand, are overlooked when it

comes to this doctrine of inno-

There are too many instanc-

es of a Labor Department agent

walking into an operation of a

type he has never been in be-

fore, who knows nothing about

the operation, does not know

what is involved, or for that

matter has not the slightest

idea of what is safe and unsafe.

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But that doesn't stop this

agent from deciding that the

business is guilty of some vio-

lation and issuing a citation on

In fact, the National Federa-

tion of Independent Business

has received reports of cita-

tions issued because an estab-

ishment had too many fire ex-

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While there can be no argu-

ment over the thesis of inno-

cence until proved guilty, it is

perhaps time to eliminate the

double standard of its applica-

tions. If accused government

employees are to be given this

protection, surely it should ex-

tent to the small taxpaying

one hung on a rack.

business operator.

the spot.

cence until proved guilty.



AUSTIN, Tex. — Some of the Constitutional Convention's hottest debate is yet to come.

Explosive potential of the general provision article already has been demonstrated in preliminary rounds, and the right-to-work section should produce the biggest bang of all.

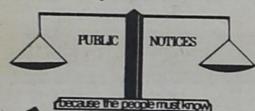
Organized labor, headed by State AFL-CIO President Harry Hubbard, stands foursquare against writing rightto-work provisions into the new constitution.

A new statewide citizens committee with formidable political and financial muscle has been formed to lobby for placing right-to-work on the ballot as a separate issue from the overall constitutional revision.

The Texas right-to-work law, dating back to 1947, prohibits union contracts which would require union membership as a condition to getting and keeping a job.

Baylor University President Dr. Abner McCall is chairman of the Texas Right-To-Work Committee which opened offices near the state

Intelligent adults are kind to the children they meet in life.



Notice to All Persons Having Claims Against Estate of Claudie K. Carpenter Notice is hereby given that original letters testamentary upon the estate of Claudie K. Carpenter, were issued to me, the undersigned, on the 3rd day of June, 1974, in the proceeding indicated below my signature hereto, which is still pending, and that I now hold such letters. All persons having claims against said estate, which is being administered. in the county below named, are hereby required to present, the same to me respectively, at the address below given, before suit upon same are barred by the general statutes of limitation, before such estate is closed, and within the time prescribed by law. My residence and post office address are Box 667, Sundown, County of Hockley. State of Texas. Dated this 3rd day of

June, 1974. W. C. Carpenter, Sr. Executor of the Estate of Claudie K. Carpenter, No. 1923 in the County Court of Hockley County,

capitol recently. Houston school teacher Mrs. Margaret Wisdom is the co-chairman.

Other big-name Texans, including a scattering of industrial leaders. Republicans, conservative Democrats and Gov. Dolph Briscoe's campaign manager, Austin attorney Joe Kilgore, are on the committee roster. COTTON THREATENED -Drought which destroyed High Plains dryland wheat is now threatening this year's cotton crop, Agriculture Commissioner John C. White fears.

White said High Plains cotton production could be cut almost in half because of dry

The High Plains last year produced an estimated 2.9 million bales of cotton. More than 2.7 million acres of cotton were planted in the area, and 1.1 million were dryland acres.Irrigation costs are running \$35-\$60 and acre and irrigation fuel which cost 10 cents a gallon last year now costs 27-29 cents.

COURTS SPEAK Evangelist Lester Foloff did not have to get licenses from the state to operate child care facilities, since fewer than six of the children were under 16, the Texas Supreme Court held.

The High Court also set for review the case of a Bee County worker held eligible for permanent, total disability assistance due to ailments resulting from a cut finger and

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severed tendon.

U.S. Supreme Court will hear the Texas appeal in the House single-member district case.

Texas Court of Criminal Appeals invalidated as unconstitutional a state juke box fee found to favor larger operators.

Same Court threw out a Houston man's murder conviction, ordered a new trial for another Houston man convicted of robbery by assault and reversed (on grounds of double jeopardy) a Dallas man's 25-year sentence for beating a teenager.

STUDY ORDERED Speaker Price Daniel Jr. has ordered a "thorough study" of the Texas Water Quality Board by the House Committee on Environmental Affairs.

The investigation will cover the agency's administration, operation and enforcement of environmental standards.

While inquiry actually will not get under way until the Constitutional Convention adjourns, advance planning and reseach by staff members is already under way.

Rep. Carlos Truan of Corpus Christi and 44 other representatives petitioned for the investigation May 15.

The standing committee on pollution of the Environmental Affairs panel actually will conduct the study. The House Judiciary Committee will further consider administrative operations of TWQB in its overall review of administrative agency procedures.

Daniel said purpose of the investigation is to "get all of the facts and to lay the basis for any remedial legislation or administrative action which may be needed."

APPOINTMENTS - Ruben R. Cardenas of McAllen was appointed by Governor Briscoe to the Pan American University board of regents and Leonel Garza Sr. and Morris Atlas of McAllen reappointed.

Other recent pointments by Briscoe included:

Charles W. Darter of Wellington as 100th district attorney; Mrs. Tom B. Simmons Jr. of Lubbock to the American Revolution Bicentennial Commission: Richard C. Rolad of La Feria and Jim Mathis of Edinburg to the Rio Grande Valley WASHINGTON AS HEARD BY HEARD AND SMALL BUSINESS

Whose Ox Is Gored?

A very interesting situation | has developed out of the indictments arising from the situation that is lumped under the heading of Watergate.

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Members of the government establishment are repeating over and over again that indictments don't necessarily indicate guilt, and that every accused person is entitled to a fair trial before judgment is made. \* \* \*

This is a very commendatory attitude to take, and one that is consonant with the time hallowed precepts of the American system of justice.

However, in this particular usage, or as they say "at this point in time" it appears that when concepts of justice are enunciated, it all depends on whose ox is being gored.

The chief advocates of the doctrine that "no one is guilty until proved guilty" are heavily larded with Federal administrative types.

And thus, their apparently new found religion is somewhat suspect. After all, it is the administration that is in charge of the enforcement of the Occupational Safety and Health Act, commonly known as © National Federation of Independent Business

Pollution Control Authority

board of directors; Homer

Bryce of Henderson to the

board of regents of Stephen F.

Austin State University and

Robert H. Lackner Jr. of

Brownsville to the Texas

assumed new duties June 1 as

director of the Amarillo State

for

WIRE SHORTAGE

THREATENS - A serious

baling wire shortage may

cause economic hazards,

Agriculture Commissioner

shortage would be between 22

and 47 per cent. Industry

sources reported a 30 per cent

shortage nationwide and a

possibly higher figure for

and \$50 a carton to \$70, White

said. A year ago, the price was

\$13. White said a black

market situation may develop

in baling wire as in fertilizer.

Haybaling is just beginning in

the state. Ninety per cent of

farmers in Texas use wire to

bale hay. Twine too is in short

SHORT SNORTS

a \$489,000 National Science

Foundation grant to continue

its long and medium range

The Governor's Energy Advisory Council has recieved

Prices may rise from \$28

White earlier said the

Center

Texas.

supply.

Development.

White warned.

Harry C. Heyman

Human

Conservation Foundation.

energy resource studies in Texas. The Governor signed an

executive order creating a State Manpower Services Council to coordinate manpower policies, plans and services throughout the state.

Texas Water Rights Commission adopted a policy identifying statement requirements for change orders to bond project plans of water districts.

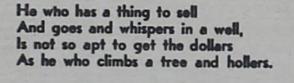
Since the State Democratic Convention falls on Rosh Hashana (September Governor Briscoe recommended delegates of the Jewish faith who are absent on the religious holiday be allowed to assign their votes to certified delegates or alternates.

Use of Dieldrin in commercial fertilizers will not be registered in Texas after August 31, on recom-mendation of Pesticide Advisory Committee.

A Texas legislative group began research on a project designed to strengthen laws regulating public utility service.

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# The Windmill is Expected to Make Dramatic Comeback in West Texas

An almost extinct symbol of the West Texas plains may be on the verge of making a unique comeback. The windmill, for years a source of power to pump water and to drive electrical generators before the coming of REA, will be one of the subjects under study by the Governor's Energy Advisory Council under a grant funded by the National Science Foundation. The New Technology committee of the energy council will undertake several projects that will study new technological sources of power and energy. One of the projects of the committee being investigated by Dr. Vaughn Nelson, head of the Department of Physics at West Texas State University, and Dr. Earl Gilmore, head of the Department of Physical Science at Amarillo College, will be a study of the potential for wind generated power in Texas.

The Panhandle Region of Texas and other large areas of the State may be particularly suited for this type of energy because of the strong steady winds that are recorded here. A recent study of weather records from the Amarillo and Lubbock National Weather Service Stations indicates a potential of capturable wind energy on the order of a trillion kilowatt hours annually for the Texas Panhandle Region. This data also indicates the Panhandle Region to have the highest wind energy density for any region of comparable size in the nation.

Although the windmill fell into

### Plant Disease Handbook Ready

All you ever wanted to know about plant diseases is contained in the new "Texas Plant Disease Handbook."

The handbook has been prepared by plant pathologists for the Texas Agricultural Extension Service and contains disease descriptions and approved chemical control recommendations for all major crops and ornamentals, points out Dr. Wendell Horne, Extension plant pathologist at Texas A&M University.

Sections of the handbook are tabbed for easy reference and include cereal crops, fiber and oil crops, forages, sugar crops, vegetables, fruits, nuts, flowers, shrubs, lawn and turf, and trees.

The handbook also features a complete section on chemical disease control, with a listing of chemicals approved by the Environmental Protection Agency.

Horne notes that the handbook, which is in the form of a loose-leaf binder, will be updated periodically. At present a section on resistant varieties is being developed.

Information on the handbook is available from the Extension Plant Pathology Section, Plant Sciences Building, Texas A&M University, College Station, Gexas 77843.

A copy is on hand at each county Extension office in the state, and Horne invites those interested in the handbook to check with their county agent for a review of the handbook.

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disuse because they engineered neither to compete nor integrate with the cheaper and more dependable REA supply, two technologies have developed in recent years that could make the capture and conversion of energy from wind economically feasible; the computer, with which the extensive calculations required in the necessary analysis of wind characteristics can be made, and modern solid-state electronic devices, which can provide the greatly increased efficiencies and dependability required in the conversion and control of the electrical energy produced.

Dr. Nelson and Dr. Gilmore, with the aid of West Texas State University and Amarillo College, will gather and evaluate data in order to assess the program's feasibility through the study of contour maps of wind energy potential and probabilities of wind speed duration. The project will assess the types and estimate the capital cost of the most suitable installations for Texas; estimate the cost of energy production per KW hour; indicate unit size, possible uses and numbers of units required for various purposes; and discuss possible solutions to the problem of intermittancy and energy storage.

The Governor's Energy Council, which was established by a legislative resolution authored by Senator Max Sherman of Amarillo, has been studying all aspects of our current and future energy situation for the past year. The grant by the National science Foundation, which was approved, and presented to the Governor's Council on May 28, will allow the Council to expand their study projects and look toward earlier deadlines for their completion.

## **Home Highlights**

by Jewel Robinson County Extension Agent Hockley County

Hockley County

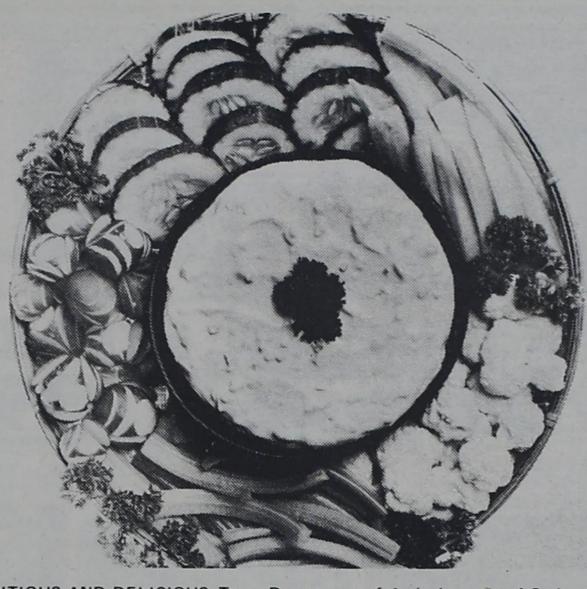
Young Families & the Older Adult

The greatest social need of the

elderly is maintaining their associations with family and friends. The elderly want to be near their relatives and friends, but they also want to be independent. While large numbers of three and four generation families still exist, decreasing proportions of elderly people live with their children and grandchildren. About 40 percent of people over 65 have great grandchildren and about 70 percent have grandchildren. Only 5 percent of the elderly have no living children.

In 1962, a survey reported that 80 percent of all married persons over 65 lived within one hour's journey to at least one child, and 17 percent lived in the same household. About 90 percent of widowed persons (mostly women) lived within an hour's journey to at least one child; 43 percent lived in the same household. Most elderly people live fairly close to at least some of their children, but nothing indicates a trend toward the establishment of more three-generation families.

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new to the middle-aged man or woman. Standing by and seeing their grown children bring up their children in ways that differ from former methods of child-rearing is not an easy task. Helping without interferring, loving without smothering, being available without being intrusive: these are complex

tasks for grandparents generally.

Grandparents can be a blessing when they are available to help out in a family crisis: a critical or chronic illness, an accident, the birth of a new baby, a period of military service or other necessary separation of the young husband and wife, temporary unemployment, or other situations that mobilizes all family resources for meeting the new problem. In occasional baby-sitting and inviting grandchildren to visit them, grandparents can do a great deal to relieve young families of the confining burdens of child care. Grandparents can greatly enrich the lives of their grandchildren with the perspective, the memories of the former days when the parents were themselves children, the continuity of the family, and the mellow wisdom of maturity.

Much has been said about the relief from their children that grandparents provide for parents. Little is said of the need children may have for some relief from their parents. It is quite possible that grandparents serve a real purpose in providing for children a different touch, another approach, a new setting and emotional climate that is not possible in the day-in-day-out contact with parents alone.

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- 1 Tbsp. milk

Mix ingredients, If necessary add another tablespoon milk for good dipping consistency. Cover; refrigerate at least 1 hour. Serve with fresh vegetables and crackers. Yield: 2 cups.

#### DIP "DISH"

Present your party dip in a gay little bowl, or a special dip and dunk tray. For a special flair use scooped out fruits and vegetables – green peppers, big white onions, grapefruit or cantaloupe halves.

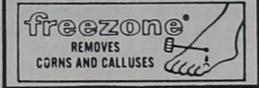
For additional recipes write John C. White, Commissioner, Texas Department of Agriculture, P. O. Box 12847, Austin, Texas 78711.

### Cotton Injury From Hail

In her usual fickle ways Mother Nature keeps farmers guessing. About rain, about wind, or about temperature. Sometimes, though, its not what's going to happen that a farmer is concerned about but what has happened. A good example is hail and the damage it does to a crop. Where, how much and how badly was the crop damaged are the questions a

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producer ponders in this instance, and finally comes the big one, "Will I have to replant?"

"You don't make snap decisions when it comes to hail damage,"

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## Helps Shrink Swelling Of Hemorrhoidal Tissues

caused by inflammation

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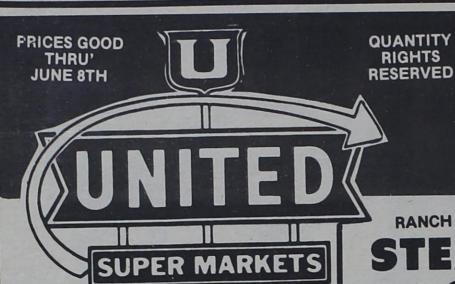
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The steady decline of cotton prices since January of this year is of more concern to cotton producers than anything besides the lack of moisture, says Donald A. Johnson, Executive Vice President of Plains Cotton Growers, Inc., Lubbock.

"With soaring production costs there will be precious little if any profit in cotton production this year unless price prospects improve substantially," he notes.

The U.S. Department of Agriculture reports that spot futures and 1974 contract prices have dropped over 20 percent in the past four months, and there is no material evidence that the nose dive has ended.

"But there are some in the industry who see a ray of hope for 1974 crop prices," Johnson notes.

Textile industry spokesmen, juding from stories appearing in the Daily News Record and other textile publications, are the most persistent painters of a gloomy price picture.

For example Robert Bendheim, Chairman of the Board of M. Lowenstein and Sons, says cotton could get down in the mid-40 cent range. He presumably was referring to Strict Low Middling inch-and-a-sixteenth, which would mean average qualities grown on the High Plains would sell considerably below that range.

Voicing an opposing view is David Cox, manager of the Economic Research and Development Division of Cotton Incorporated, national producer organi-

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Cox reasons that while mills have bee holding off on purchases of additional cotton in anticipation of further price erosion, "All fundamental economic indicators lead to the conclusion that present and future markets are underpriced." Among the "indicators" he points to continuing tight supplies of synthetic fibers, exports "almost certain to exceed six million bales," and his belief that cotton plantings and production in the U.S. may not reach forecast levels.

USDA is predicting a 14 million bale crop of cotton in the U.S. this year. But this may not be taking into account the declining prices that will affect plantings, or the lack of moisture posing a severe threat to cotton production on the High Plains, Johnson says. The High Plains in 1973 produced over 2.9 million 480-poind net weight bales, he notes, which was almost 16 percent of the U.S. crop, "And you can't find anybody now who expects the same area to turn out more than two-thirds that amount in 1974, so Cox may well be correct in expecting the U.S. crop to fall below recent projections."

For the longer term outlook it is noteworthy that 7 of the 10 major cotton producing countries of the world have population growth rates averaging 2.9 percent, which will result in 50 percent increases in their populations within 20 years. To Cox this means they will not be able to meet growing demands for food and fiber at home and at the same time maintain

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SPORTS

by Joe Kelly Word reaches us that, according to no less an authority than Jim Carlen, head football coach at Texas Tech, the Red Raiders should be considered no better than a bet to finish fourth or worse. At least the Raider Boss is telling folks that tops in SWC should be Texas, Arkansas and A&M, not necessarily in that order, of course.

The rest of the teams are lumped in a group fighting to catch the leaders and upset the prognosticators by winning all the marbles. If past conference races are any criterion, that could be the case this year, except that you can't forget that Texas has won six titles in succession.

Anyway, at first glance it would appear that Carlen has conceded the title to one of three other state schools. Anyone want to bet on it? The day that Carlen, or any other coach in the conference, decides he doesn't have a chance will be the day that each school will be looking for someone with a wee bit more enthusiasm and optimism.

Don't you believe that Jim has thrown in the sponge. If anything, he's being realistic, based on losses from last year's 11-1 squad and somewhat untried players coming up. What he's doing, of course, is to throw up a smokescreen and protecting his young players.

The chances are good that, when the season does start, the untried players will develop rapidly. After all, they aren't completely untested and they have been getting good coaching. In addition, winning becomes contagious and pride enters the picture.

Being protected the most probably is Tommy Duniven. After all, he is to replace Joe Barnes, and Barnes had a great year. In addition, Duniven had a knee operation this spring and missed a lot of work. But, if what we hear is true, and there's no reason to doubt it, the knee is as strong as ever and Duniven should pick up where Barnes left off.

But to get back to the conference picture, there's plenty of reason for Carlen to lump Texas, Arkansas and A&M in a group. Logic dictates that Texas, with or without Rosy Leaks, is the team to beat. Arkansas, after a slump last year, seems to be coming to the front with more depth and great ability, if the Razorbacks can solve the quarterback situation.

As for the Aggies, this should be their year. They have everyone coming back. They have size and speed. They have great depth. In short, A&M just might have the best size, speed, ability and experience in the conference. It really should be A&M's year to go all the way.

The above speculation isn't entirely out of place, what with the Coaches All America game coming up two weeks from this Saturday. Hopefully, Barnes will be one of the stars of that contest and there's no reason to think that he won't be.

Activities started Tuesday with the kickoff luncheon at the Lubbock Lions Club, with Jake Gaither as the speaker. There will be weekly luncheons and report meetings on ticket sales. Everyone is hoping that, despite the early heat and dry spring, there will be a record crowd again. As one businessman told me, what else is there to do on Saturday night in June in Lubbock, besides look at reruns on the boob

The talent certainly is there for a great game, although the majority of fans won't recognize a lot of the linemen. After all, you seldom remember even a Tech lineman two years after he's finished his competition, and that's not a rap at linemen. Without them, backs wouldn't get any recognition, but the public's memory for them is

The first rush of players constituted players who weren't generally household names. The delay in announcing the final few players is because some of the top runningbacks haven't committed. Dickie Morton adds to the game and there will be others soon.

Norm Williamson, who occasionally fills some space in his own publication, but who would rather brag through us about his fishing prowess, went to Lake Spence last weekend. He blushingly admitted that he wet a line, but the hooks kept coming up empty.

He added that the wind came up and all but blew his group away, with wind gusts clocked at some 65 mph. "Fortunately, we had the wagon and boat headed into the wind and it didn't hurt us," Norm said, "But man, that wind was fierce, and in that country, there's no place to

\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\* Belated congratulations to both the Monterey Plainsmen on gaining another trip to the state baseball tournament and to the Lubbock Christian College Chaparrals on going to the finals. The Chaps fought valiantly before falling to Sam Houston State, perennial powers.

The Plainsmen have been to the state tournament in the past and have done well. There's no reason why the Monterey team won't do equally as well this year. Bobby Moegle has come up with another solid club, one that combines good pitching with tight defense and timely hitting. I know that everyone in Lubbock would like to see another state championship pennant brought here.

Despite the best efforts of Tony Kubek and Joe Garagiola to make the weekly Saturday baseball game interesting and exciting, we have so far been treated to a series of dull affairs. As my neighbor, former Pampa Oiler Carroll Berryman said, "they've gotten so boring that most of the time I work in the yard instead of watching.

It's not the networks' fault that the games have been bad. It's been their misfortune to have games that were onesided and decided early.

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62 - Sodlum (chem.) rate of only 1.2 percent per year. The remaining country, the People's Republic of China, with a growth rate of 1.8 percent, already is a net importer of cotton.

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prospect for increasing competition among foreign purchasers of U.S. cotton appears certain."

## Rays of Hope

by Pat Stanton

As summer begins, people experience different emotions and feelings. School children are excited about swimming, playing, and no studies. Older students are looking forward to new jobs, friends, and maybe a special trip.

But what about the mother? What does she have to look forward to? At this time of the year, you hear the mothers making various remarks regarding their children.

Many mothers actually dread for school to be out and for the children to be at home. There are many reasons why they feel this way. They know they will have added responsibilities, which include more food to prepare, more activities to plan and much more discipline. We mothers do need to face the fact that more attention will be required, but this does not have to be a headache or a burden.

If your children are "unbearable", as some mothers say, then I would suggest that you need a new approach of life and firm

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of counsel and advise. One of the highlights is the book of Proverbs is the subject of parent and child. Prov. 13:24 is a very strong statement. The writer said, "If you refuse to discipline your son, it proves you don't love him; for if you love him, you will be prompt to punish him." (Living Bible). If we could look into the future and see our children as adults, then we would understand why they should Continued On Page Eight

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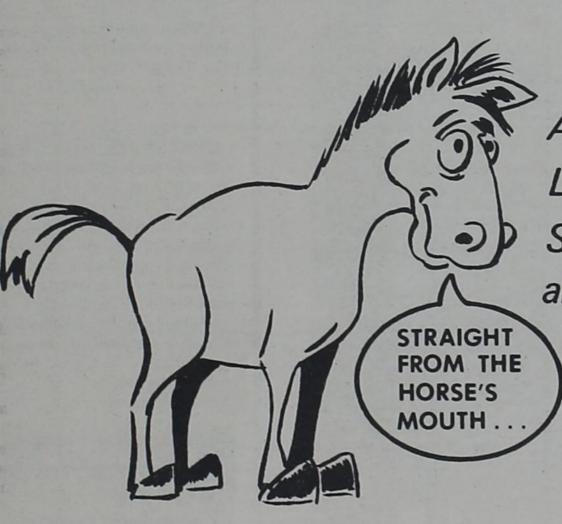
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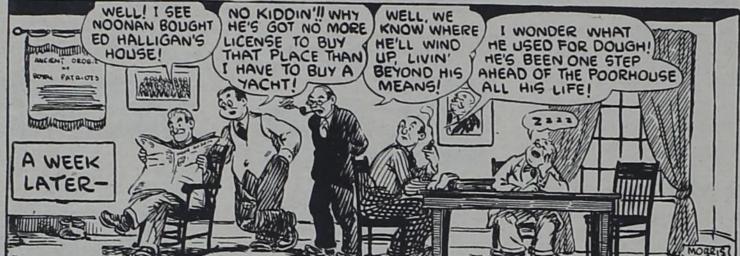
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Hail Damage . . .

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says Dr. Robert B. Metzer,
agronomist with the Texas
Agricultural Extension Service.

"It will always appear much worse than the actual damage immediately after the storm. In the case of cotton, the plants have a remarkable capacity to recover."

Already this year crops have been hit by hail, and no doubt more will be hit as the season progresses, Metzer predicts. If a producer's crop suffers hail damage, he will have to consider several factors in determining whether to replant. Among these are growth stage, type and extent of injury and seasonal conditions.

A first point to consider, the agronomist says, is how much of the field was damaged. A hail storm can reduce the plant population to only two seedlings per row foot in 40-inch rows, or 26,000 to 65,000 plants per acre, and the crop can still produce a normal yield, unless, of course, the crop is poorly distributed or has long skips.

Another point in determining whether to replant is how much damage there was to plants. The agronomist explains that plants having only traces of leaves will recover better than those with no leaves. But he emphasizes that a seedling with no leaves can still make a crop.

"If the stem is intact, free of large breaks and the seedling has sound buds, recovery is still possible although it will be slower than plants having at least some leaves.

"However, if the stem is shattered and the bark loosened or broken at points below the leaf buds, then recovery is impossible,'
the specialist warns.

After a hail storm, a sandfighter

After a hail storm, a sandfighter should be run as soon as possible to prevent sand injury to vital buds on stubs left in the field. Quite often, he cautions, sand damage after a hail can do as much or more harm to young seedlings than the hail.

Any regrowth hinges either on the sound terminal bud (the growing point) or axillary bud located at the point of leaf attachment.

The specialist says that because of the young seedling's ability to recover, hail injury in May or June will cause less yield loss than in July and August when the plants are more mature and replanting becomes impossible.

"If the damage is suffered early, a crop can recover to the point that the injured plants are difficult to distinguish from undamaged plants," he adds. Also young cotton that survives early hail damage is often more mature at first frost than a crop that has been replanted.

"When a cotton field is totally destroyed," he says, "the producer has no choice but to replant, especially if the damage occurs early in the season. But in most hail storms, the crop is usually only partially injured, making the decision more difficult."

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grow up within the bounds of discipline and restraint.

I believe that there are some true guidelines for peaceful summer living:

Live one day at a time.
 Let your child know what you

expect of him.

a. have definte jobs assigned

b. regular discipline as neededc. punishment for disobeying

3. Don't let the child run the household.

We must do everything towards our children in love, yet this does not mean that we are not constant and firm in our rules. Don't be permissive one day, letting the "little one" get away with anything, and then the next day letting the slightest error rub you

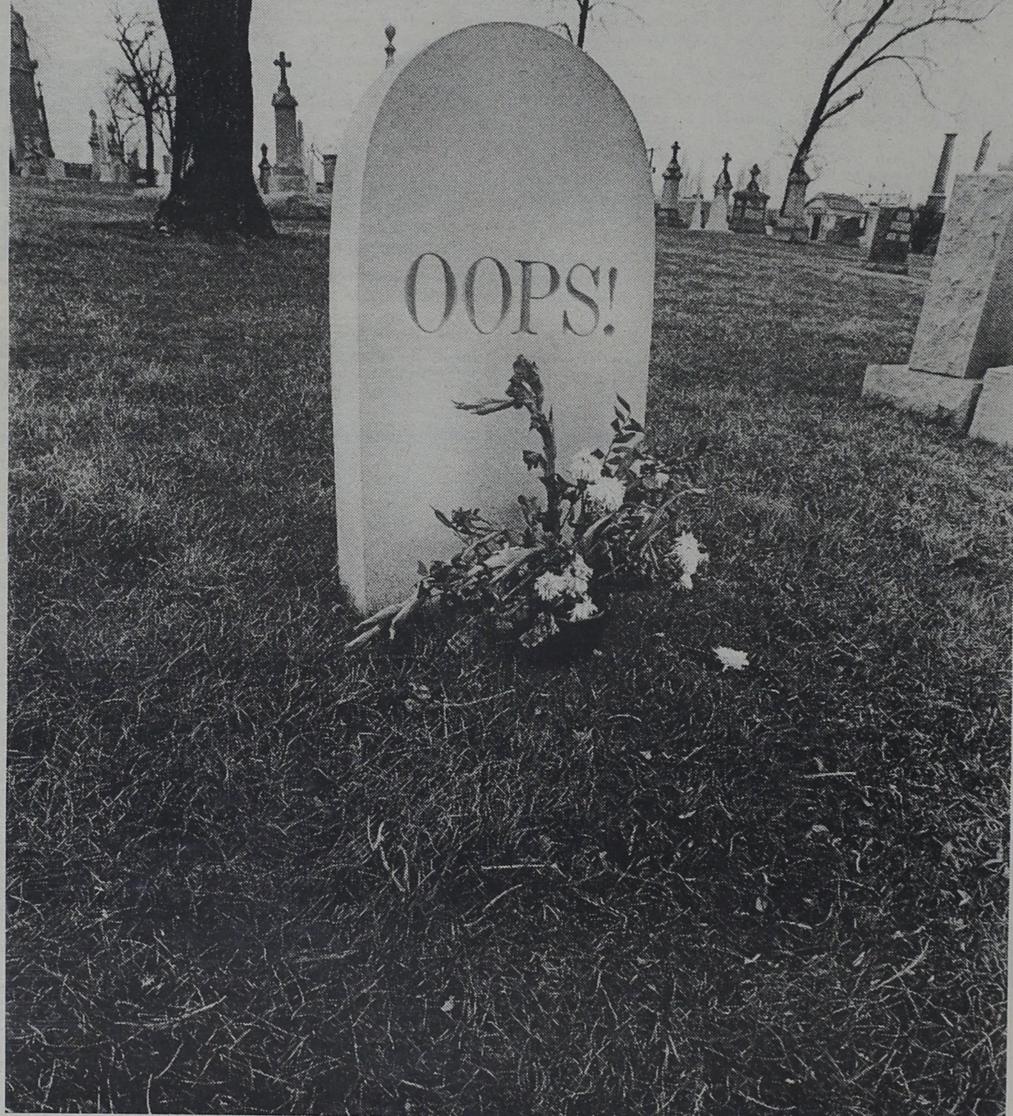
Be at peace within yourself and this will be reflected in your children.

the wrong way.

Don't worry about the long summer days. Let each day be an adventure with your family and others. Each day ask God to give you new strength, love, and patience. Live on a plane of thanksgiving. Thank God everyday that you have something to do that you don't really want to do.

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