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On The BEAM

By J. W. King, Sr.

Our town is a good place to trade for every day needs of the people of this area. Stores are well stocked with merchandise that will meet the needs of the average person.

But—Loraine needs to widen her territory. The area from which we draw trade consistently is too small. And we are not doing much about it.

Loraine has at least a part of the things that draw people to a town. We have a good hospital, excellent gas, warehouse for storing cotton, irrigation supplies and other things that attract people to a town. But we need to expand their influence.

The glories of the past will not suffice in this modern age. We must stand on our own merits. The newspaper needs to widen its scope of influence as well as merchants. Neither the merchants nor the newspaper can do the job alone—it takes the full cooperation of both to arrive at the desired results.

This newspaper is ready to do anything it can to widen the territory of our town. We'll do our share and more.

How about everybody getting together for a round table discussion of our various problems?

WORKERS CONFERENCE

Those from Loraine who attended the Mitchell-Snyder Baptist Workers Conference held at the Payne Baptist Church Tuesday were Rev. and Mrs. Bobby Rine, Rev. and Mrs. W. D. Green and Mrs. W. C. Rogers, Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Leach, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Scarborough, and Mrs. Elwood Graham.

Theme for the program was Work in the Rural Churches.

ATTEND SHOW

Raymond Holt, local agriculture teacher, accompanied Billy Cornutt and Ronnie Haley to San Angelo Friday, March 8, when they showed stock at the San Angelo Fat Stock Show.

Two of five lambs shown by Ronnie placed 15th and 25th and Billy's Angus placed 6th and his Hereford took 4th place.

Billy and Ronnie with Darrell Owens and Clovis Hale made up the judging team from the Loraine group. Complete results of the judging has not been announced. There were 64 teams participating in the judging.

HOSPITAL NOTES

Admitted: Mrs. R. W. Matlock, Howard Spikes, Albert Beights, Wayne Taylor, Jimmie Ruth, J. R. Moore, Colorado City; Irene Brooks, Westbrook; James Byars, Roscoe; Mrs. Eugene Murphy, Sweetwater; Mrs. W. A. Voss, Hemphill; Timothy Green, Sandra Kay Slater, Belinda Brazil, Murry Carpenter, Sue Cox, Juan Barrea, Everett Haggerton, Helen Ann Haggerton, Freddie Freeman, Larue Sheppard, Earl Phillips, Mrs. Victor Loera, Loraine.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Green, Colorado City, a boy on March 6, named Chuck Lamont; Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Murphy of 1013 Crane St., Sweetwater, a girl, March 7, named Debra Kay; Mr. and Mrs. Victor Loera, Box 162, Rt. 2, Snyder, a boy, March 12.

Dismissed: Keith Hackfeld, Sylvester Rose, Heston Spikes, Johnny Arenas, Jo Ned Garrett, Mrs. Marvin L. Thompson, Timothy Green, James Byars, Mrs. Clifford Green and son, Rosa Molina, Albert Beights, Jr., Mrs. C. A. Hughes, Mrs. Eugene Murphy and daughter, Juan Barrea, Jimmie Ruth, Freddie Freeman, Wayne Taylor, Murry Carpenter.

HOSTS 1950 CLUB

Mrs. Doris Martin used the St. Patrick theme in decorations when she hosted the regular meeting of the 1950 Club Thursday night.

Three tables of canasta was played. Guests were Mrs. Harold Martin and Mrs. Ott Muns. Members playing were Mmes. Bessie Johnson, Cora Hall, Troy Jones, Fay McCollum, G. A. Hutchins, Josephine Marshall, J. D. McDonald, Lily Bennett and Miss Elizabeth McDonald.

Refreshments of sandwiches, spice cake and punch were served. Favors were miniature Shamrocks.

FIA DELEGATES ELECTED

At a recent meeting of the Future Homemakers Club two delegates were elected to attend the State F. H. A. meeting to be held in Dallas March 26-27.

Delegates are Wanda Moore and Carolyn Baumann. Carolyn will serve as voting delegate at the meeting. They will be accompanied to the meeting by the teacher, Mrs. Dan Morgan.

Loraine School Will Be Host To District Literary Events Saturday

The Loraine school will be host to the literary events for the Westbrooke, Hermleigh, Ira, and Fluvanna schools Saturday, March 16.

The elementary grades will make up the morning program and the elimination for high school will begin at 12:30, continuing through 3 p. m.

Loraine students participating in 7th and 8th grade spelling will be Ruby Edwards and Joretta Hall. Alternates, Joe Edwards and Beth Shepherd.

5th and 6th spelling: Shirley Robertson and Janie Lee with Peggy Phillips alternate.

Story telling: Kenneth Brame with Danny Tarrt alternate.

Ready Writers: Earnestine White and Barbara Hale with Stanley Martin and Golda Cary alternate.

Junior girls: Declaration: Golda Cary and Earnestine White as alternate.

Number Sense: Joe Edwards and Ben Clouton with Dian Beatty alternate.

Picture Memory: Linda Ross, Joe Garcia, Harold Brewer, Anita Fox, Loretta Tarrt, Dolores Guber, Alternates are Ruth Cornutt and Janice Goodnight.

In high school Carolyn Baumann and Berta Alsbrook will debate; Declaration: junior boys Gary Parnell; senior boys, Bobby Haley; junior girls (two of this group) Treva Hays, Pauline Cornutt and Joyce Graham; senior girls, Berta Alsbrook and Beverly Johnson.

Extemporaneous Speech: boys, Gary Mathis, Tommy Linam, girls, Carolyn Baumann, Poetry Reading, Sarah Pratt, Kennie Sue Butler and Billy Long.

Two will be selected in the Ready Writers group from Sarah Pratt, Peggy Williams, Peggy Belvin and Pauline Cornutt.

Number Sense: Treva Hays, Maylon Beatty; Typewriting: Linda Linder, Virginia Templeton; Spelling: two from the following Carolyn Baumann, Sarah Pratt, Ross Snyder.

Slide Rule: Don Templeton, Ross Snyder; Shorthand, Maxie Sheppard, Nellie Neel, Margaret Horton.

Attend C. C. Banquet

Mr. and Mrs. K. L. Taylor attended the 49th annual Chamber of Commerce banquet held at Rose Field House at Hardin-Simmons University in Abilene Friday night, March 8.

Jackie Richey Will Marry In April

Mr. and Mrs. Alton B. Richey are announcing the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Miss Jacqueline Dolores, to Mr. Bobby Gene Holman, son of Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Holman of Colorado City.

The wedding will take place April 21, at 5 o'clock in the afternoon in the First Baptist Church here.

Miss Richey is a graduate of Loraine High School and is employed at the City National Bank in Colorado City. Mr. Holman is a graduate of Colorado City High School and is employed by Texas Electric Service Company, Colorado City.

HONORED ON BIRTHDAY

Mrs. Wilmon Tarrt was complimented on her birthday Friday when room mothers of her class hosted a surprise party in her classroom.

As the group arrived at 3:30 they greeted Mrs. Tarrt by singing the happy birthday song. Refreshments were served to the honoree and room pupils. Johnny Baumann, Ronnie Blair, Linda Chapman, Bobby Clouton, Linda Cornutt, Gary Finley, Henry Galvan, Sandra Galvan, Sherry Graham, Keith Hamilton, Bill Martin, Larry Rankin, Carolyn Schroeder, Charlotte Sura, Dennis Worrell, Steve Alvarez, Manuella Pantaja, Ruben Alva, Francisco Garvie, Tiedora Lemonez, Cruz Arenas, Roy Armstrong, Rosa Rincones, Leonard Garrard, Luis Limones, Margarita Vosques, and mothers, Mmes. Herbert Mease, Claud Chapman, Felix Martin, Pete Andrews, E. J. Schroeder, Lynn Hamilton, Bob by Lou Schroeder, Edson Andrews, Tim Hamilton and Judy Tarrt.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Bennett spent Wednesday and Thursday in San Angelo, where they met her brother, and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Baird, of San Antonio, for a visit.

Light Shower With Dust Sunday Night

A shower amounting to .10 of an inch fell here early Sunday night.

The shower was accompanied by lightning and a strong wind which kicked up some dust.

To the west and north the rain was a little heavier and some hail fell between Hermleigh and Snyder.

The area was under alert for severe storms but none developed.

The disturbance was caused by a cold front moving in from the west.

ATTEND SING-SONG IN MIDLAND SUNDAY

A group of young people from the Smiley Street Church of Christ attended a sing-song at the Church of Christ in Midland Sunday afternoon. Making the trip were Delbert Smith, Darrell Owens, Gerald McCann, Pat and Judy Hudgins, Wanda and Margie Moore, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Harbor, Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Denison, Elvie Caswell, Virginia Cain and Donald Richey.

TO PREACH HERE SUNDAY

H. L. McMillan of Abilene will preach at both services at Crockett-Smiley Street Church of Christ Sunday, March 17, while A. C. Polk is in Odessa on appointment.

HOST BRIDGE CLUB

Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Thomas were hosts at the regular meeting of the Bridge Club last week. The Saint Patrick theme was used in decorations. The four some tables were laid with green and white covers and decorated with shamrocks for the refreshments of omelet pie topped with green whipped cream, and hot chocolate.

Those playing were Dr. and Mrs. John Hamblen of Snyder, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Doss of Colorado City, Dr. and Mrs. B. H. Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. B. W. Tarrt, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Coffey, and Mr. and Mrs. Woodrow Pratt.

Guests of Mrs. S. A. Walker Tuesday were Mrs. Katie Nash, Mrs. J. M. Owens and Mrs. Dee Williams of Spur, and Mrs. Mollie Donaldson of Brownfield.

Mrs. Nash and Mrs. Donaldson remained for this week.

HOSTS WEDNESDAY CLUB

Mrs. Henry Riden hosted the regular meeting of the Wednesday Club last week. Three tables of 42 were played and a refreshment plate of fruit punch, cake and ice cream was served.

Guests included Mrs. C. A. Land and Mrs. Laine McCollum. Members playing were Mmes. T. Finley, W. I. Barron, Anna Hantache, Clyde Smith, W. F. James, Wade Preston, Cora Hall, J. D. McDonald, G. A. Hutchins, Bessie Johnson.

RETURN FROM CHICAGO

Mr. and Mrs. Forest Porter were one of the eight couples from Mitchell County who attended the national REA convention held in Chicago last week.

The manager and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Penne, and seven directors and their wives attended the meet. They returned home Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Jones of Lenora visited his sister, Mrs. G. A. Hutchins, Tuesday as they were enroute on vacation trip to Florida.

Dana Bodine returned Tuesday after spending the weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Al Bodine, in Weatherford. Dana is here staying with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Gunn, and is a senior in Loraine High School.

Russell Howell of Yantis visited in the home of his cousin, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Banks, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Moody Richardson visited in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. P. Blair visited in the T. J. Blair home in Sweetwater Tuesday night. Mrs. T. J. Blair was brought home from Shannon Hospital in San Angelo Sunday after having major surgery there ten days ago.

Mr. and Mrs. Lowell Richardson visited in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Moody Richardson, Monday and their little daughter Vickie Lynn, returned home with them after spending a week with her grandparents.

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Basketball Players Go To State Tourney

A group from Loraine, including ten members of the basketball team, attended the state basketball tournament held at the State University Stadium in Austin last weekend.

Making the trip were Dr. B. H. Johnson, Varnell Templeton, Coaches Floyd Sampson and Bill Easterling, Sonny Johnson, Jerry and Don Templeton and these members of the basketball team: Charles Reed, George and Gerald Martin, Donald Ritchey, Gerald Narrell, Gary Mathis, Billy Stribling, Ross Snyder, Jerry Robertson, Byron Bruce.

The Lions Club helped to finance expenses for the basketball players.

Col. Reiter Family Moving To Alabama

Lt. Col. N. I. Reiter, Jr. has received orders transferring him to the Army's Ballistics Missiles Agency at Huntsville, Alabama, effective March 15.

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Colonel and Mrs. Reiter were honored guests at a dinner dance Friday night, March 8, at the Rockwood Country Club, Independence, Missouri. Personnel of the arsenal, both Ordnance and contractor workers, and community leaders in the Kansas City area, regret to have the Reiters leave, but wish them every happiness in their Army career.

The Reiters and their four children, Katherine 9, Douglas 5, Karl Lynn 4, and Marc 2, plan to leave March 15, for their new residence at Huntsville, Alabama.

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Lions Club Will Sell Brooms Friday and Saturday, March 22-23

The Lions Club expects the housewives of this area to keep their homes clean this spring. To assist them in doing so the Lions will sell brooms on Friday and Saturday, March 22-23.

Members of the club will be divided into two teams and each team will work a section of the town on Friday, March 22.

On Saturday a broom booth will be opened on the streets to give rural ladies an opportunity to buy a broom or two.

The Lions are selling the brooms to raise money for their various projects during the year.

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In Advance

Guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Faulkenberry over the weekend were Mr. and Mrs. Gene Ball and Hester Faulkenberry of Fort Worth. Others visiting Saturday were Forest Faulkenberry and daughter Pamela of Lamesa and visiting on Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. David Faulkenberry and children of Big Spring.

Wayne and Marsha Day of Abilene and Nancy Marshall of Big Spring spent the weekend with their grandmother, Mrs. Josephine Marshall. Others visiting Sunday were Dr. and Mrs. Kenneth Day of Abilene and Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Marshall of Big Spring.

Mrs. F. N. Kelley and daughters Patsy and Sharon of Mr. Carey spent the weekend and Lewis Brians spent Saturday and Sunday with their mother, Mrs. N. J. Brians.

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CHURCH NEWS



GLEANNERS S. S. CLASS

Mrs. Jim Johnson and Mrs. Hugh Hallmark entertained at the March meeting of the Gleaners Sunday School class in the Johnson home Tuesday afternoon.

Meeting opened with prayer led by Mrs. Johnson. Mrs. J. D. McDonald conducted a short business meeting, after which Mrs. J. G. Bruce brought the Bible lesson, reading scripture from 2nd Kings and Chronicles and discussing the life of Josiah.

Mrs. Floyd Richey led the closing prayer after which the hostesses served a refreshment of sandwiches, cookies and punch to Mmes. Cora Hall, C. C. Hamilton, Marshall Bruce, J. G. Bruce, J. D. McDonald, T. C. Wilson, C. M. Duke, J. E. Price, Lula McGowan, F. M. Richey, J. Land, Earl Hallmark and Miss Annie Jarratt.

Mrs. Allen Adams spoke on the Life of Madam Chang Kaichok, a talented and beautiful woman, dynamic in personality whose public life was a revolution in itself in China.

Mrs. K. L. Taylor told how Ernest Elmo Calkins, distinguished writer and lecturer, told how his teacher, Miss Ida McCall, had told him how to live in spite of his deafness and to ignore what you have not and make more use of what you have.

Mrs. Marshall Bruce gave excerpts from the life of Helen Keller, the blind woman whose life has been an inspiration to so many in life.

Mrs. Jim Johnson led the closing prayer.

Ten women were present.

The hostess served a refreshment plate of cheese ritz, punch, ice cream and home baked cookies to Mmes. Dexter Taylor, Pauline Smiley, Raymond Wheeler, Dan Butler, Bud Shepherd, Elwood Graham, Harold Hallmark and Buck Taylor.

The Mae Taylor Circle met with Mrs. W. C. Rogers with Mrs. J. W. King and Mrs. J. C. Wells co-hosts.

Mrs. Loyd Wiggins led the opening prayer and Mrs. W. D. Green, chairman, had charge of the business session. Mrs. King read the minutes of the last meeting.

Mrs. O. C. Lucas brought the lesson from the study book, Back Side of Nowhere and Mrs. Green led the closing prayer.

The hostesses served refreshments of pie and coffee to Mmes. B. B. Lee, Bobby Rine, Ed Miles, Loyd Wiggins, Edwin Hallmark, O. C. Lucas, Dottie Marshall, Jack Richey, Henry Howell, H. L. Leach, W. D. Green and J. C. Hall.

INTERMEDIATE G. A.

All of the members of the Intermediate Girls Auxiliary and three guests were present when they met at the home of their counselor, Mrs. Roy Linder, Wednesday after school to begin a new study book, The Trail of Itching Feet.

Mrs. Linder led the opening prayer. Sue Cox gave the first chapter, The Trail Makers; Lois Graham gave the second chapter, Problems of the Trail.

Mrs. Linder served a refreshment plate of sandwiches, potato chips, fritos, pickles and Cokes after which Tena White and Golda Cary entertained with piano numbers and Jean Kidd, Joyce Graham gave the fourth chapter of the book, Tales of the Trail, and Treva Hays gave the next chapter, New Trail Makers.

Visitors attending were Pauline Cornutt, Tena White and Dora Griffin. Members were Golda Cary, Barbara Kidd, Barbara Hale, Loyce Graham, Sue Cox, Joyce Graham, Treva Hays, Beth Shepherd, Jean Kidd.

Guests of Mr. and Mrs. O. P. Blair Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Joe Glass of Slaton, Mr. and Mrs. Thurman Pylant of Midland, Mr. and Mrs. Moody Richardson, Mr. and Mrs. B. B. Blair, and Mr. and Mrs. Dual Blair.

W. S. C. S. MEETING

The regular meeting of the Womens Society of Christian Service was held at 3 p. m. Monday at the church.

Mrs. Lily Bennett led the program on The Status of Women in the Church.

Mrs. Percy Bond gave the devotional, reading from Ruth, and Mrs. J. D. McDonald led in prayer.

Mrs. Bennett spoke on Womens Standing in Politics in the U. N., stressing that woman's most important role is in the home.

She pointed out the great advancement of the status of woman since the great grandmother's day and our own times.

Mrs. Harold Martin talked on The Mother of the Year in 1956, which was followed by special music, Mrs. Frank Crownover and Mrs. James Bennett singing My Mother's Bible.

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FRIENDSHIP S. S. CLASS

The Loyd Ray Finch home was the setting for the monthly meeting of the Friendship Sunday School class of the First Baptist Church Thursday, Mar. 7.

Hostesses for the occasion were Mrs. Finch, Mrs. Bobby Graham and Mrs. George Mahoney.

Prayer was said by Mrs. Lynn Hamilton and Mrs. Mahoney brought the devotional from Phil. 4:6.

After the regular business meeting, Mrs. Finch directed members to the dining table where the class colors of green and white and the class flower, the red rose, were carried out in the decorations.

The social hour was a birthday party for all the 23 members of the class. Each member found her place at the table by finding her birthday personalized card with her birth date. As the 23 candles burned on the cake in the center of the table all sang the birthday song and as each member left the table she drew a gift from a raily wrapped box.

Mrs. Rex McDaniel directed Irish games. A Giant greeting card from the three hostesses to the class was on the mantle.

Birthday cake and punch were served to Mmes. Georgia McCoy, Lynn Hamilton, E. J. Schroeder, Atwood Sheffield, Herbert Moorse, Joe Terry, Edgar Bau-mann, Bill Bowles, A. J. Barron, Rex McDaniel, George Mahoney, Loyd Ray Finch and a guest, Stevie Baumann.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Morgan, Jr. and children spent the weekend in Wichita Falls with his mother, Mrs. Dan Morgan, Sr., and Mr. and Mrs. Morgan attended the teachers meeting in Vernon Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Smith of Lubbock spent the weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Templeton, and with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jess Smith in Roscoe.

Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Sweatt left Sunday for Marlin, where Mrs. Sweatt will have treatments for several weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred B. Ison held an informal open house Sunday afternoon for some of her students from Coahoma High School, following the Church of Christ singing for the young people of this district.

Mr. and Mrs. Ira Crownover of Odessa, visited a short time Friday with her mother, Mrs. W. H. Findley, as they were enroute home from San Saba.

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Green and Lock Sponsor News-Reporting Bill

A bill to assure the right of press, TV and radio representatives to attend and report county, precinct and state political conventions is before the Texas Legislature. Introducing the bill in the House is Rep. Howard Green of Fort Worth (left). Sponsoring the legislation in the Senate is Sen. Otis Lock of Lufkin (right). Green's bill is HB 108. Lock's is SB 94. This legislation is one of the 15 "Better Government" bills advocated by the Texas Press Association in a campaign for open meetings and full accounting of public funds.

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Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Faulkner of Fort Stockton spent the week end and Mrs. M. M. Page of Snyder spent Sunday with their mother and sister, Mrs. Sallie Clement and Mrs. G. K. Baker. Mrs. Clement has been a patient in the Johnson Hospital since March 4. Her condition is reported improved.

Mrs. J. B. Mahon and Mrs. Royce Mahon spent Tuesday in Midland visiting Mr. and Mrs. Horace Newton.

Guests of Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Thomas Friday night were Mrs. Thomas' aunt, Mrs. R. F. McKnight and friend Mrs. Rice, of Oklahoma City.

Mr. and Mrs. James Hallmark of Sweetwater spent the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Mercer.

Mr. and Mrs. Claud Peterson returned to their home in Tulsa, Oklahoma, after visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. D. Peterson.

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People Take Over in Duval County; County Government Has New Look

By-FREDERICK HODGSON

SAN DIEGO, Tex.—Things are different in Duval County. No matter how brightly the lust for liberty burns, it takes a little know-how to jump in and run a government according to the Constitution. Before the "clean-up," Duval County leaders had had their government run for them since before World War One, and unashamedly admitted they were rusty as the nails in the Ark. They obtained and circulated elementary textbooks on county government and read them like dime novels.

As a result, Duval County became a textbook on democracy. It would have made any county in the United States ashamed of itself to see Duval citizens religiously attending every meeting of the school boards and the commissioners court in such numbers that crowds had to stand out on the courthouse lawn.

This is the courthouse, here in San Diego, Texas, where Parr's non-supporters say they were never allowed to enter unless they were summoned. They never saw the inside of the district courtroom, they say, "unless we were being tried for something we did not do." The meetings of the commissioners court and school boards were always held in secret, if at all.

After "Operation Cleanup" an invisible line developed down the middle of the courtroom, dividing the Parr people from the non-Parrists. Many of the Parr people had relatives under indictment. Every day was a big day in court, with overflow crowds. One day the Duke himself appeared to answer an indictment. Another day a handful of school trustees arrived, with a motion to quash an indictment. The next day half a dozen lawyers tangled with District Attorney Sam Burris and the "State men." Now and then a Ranger stood up or shuffled his feet to remind the participants that "It's peaceful here, and we aim to keep it peaceful."

The courthouse is the Sanctum Sanctorum from which all but Parr's "Old Party" members were excluded. There are other places besides the courthouse that used to be rigidly off limits to Parr's opposition, but not any more. The San Diego Community Center, a public building, now is accessible to any group of citizens, no matter how they vote. And that's the new in Duval County.

No sir, you wouldn't know the old Duval County with its new look. People stand around in the drug stores and talk about whatever they please without whispering, without looking over their shoulders to see who is near. This is maybe the biggest, the most striking change.

Business has picked up in the Duke's domain. Manuel Marroquin, whose tortilla bakery was put out of business by Parr, started over again before he began publishing his newspaper, the New Duval. He had to set up his cafe across the line in Jim Wells County, just outside San Diego. But all the old customers who had quit trading with him on the Duke's orders came back. They bought his tortillas and his milk, and now they read his newspaper.

A lot of Duval residents are coming back home to work from the surrounding counties where they say Parr drove them by forbidding their employment in Duval. Some have been traveling 20

to 60 miles to their jobs in Oilton and Falfurrias and Alice because nobody would hire them in George Parr's county. There are many in this category—exiles from sunup to sundown six days a week. Now they're coming home.

Life, business, government, even love—they've all been hay-wire in this haywire county, and are getting back to normal. Boys and girls who couldn't date each other and fall in love because one family had Parr's blessing and another his curse, now can give Cupid a free rein. The invisible barriers of hatred are falling down. Romeo and Juliet have come into their own.

In the schoolrooms the distinction—the discrimination—between the kids of "Parr people" and others has pretty well vanished. You don't have to be the child of an "Old Party" family to go to the fair now and sell your 4-H Club calves and lambs. If you're poor, you don't have to be a Parr follower in order for your kids to get free milk at the school cafeteria. Giving milk to one child and withholding it from another for reasons of politics is just one of the many quaint practices condemned by Duval County grand juries that have been looking into things since the State of Texas moved in on the stronghold of the Duke.

The changes in Duval County don't mean that Parr isn't still fighting. Those who know him best say he'll be fighting when the iron doors clang behind him. The men who hang around the courthouse, the ones who couldn't hang around there before, will tell you that George Parr's ghost will walk those dim halls fifty years after he has fought his last fight. You don't get rid of 40 years of Parrism quickly. A whole generation of men and women in one Texas county have been born and brought up in a climate of fear, hatred and distrust. There are those who have always eaten at the public trough, always had the protection of a Big Boss, and always helped him elect his candidates, spy on his enemies, destroy his opposition. In Duval County there are still many of these, and they have children. Their Golden Age has passed away, and they will mourn for it because they, like the Duke of Duval, have been born in the wrong century. They are a part of feudalism, part of a day when little kings dominated a few hundred square miles of earth, overtaxed their impoverished serfs, and amused themselves with senseless wars.

But the rest of the people in Duval County have just come into their Golden Age. They have a new dignity. They have a new hope. They have a County Auditor, an impartial grand jury, supervised elections, and police protection. As one Duval rancher put it, the clouds have parted and the sun has broken through. To be sure, the sharp crack of legal conflict is still heard. There is still tumult and shouting in Judge Woodrow Laughlin's district courtroom. But the roar of the big legal artillery that has rattled the whole State of Texas for three years, while George Parr and his friends fought ditch by ditch to hold their fortresses intact, has died out. The final score has yet to be tallied, but the trend is clear. The watchers in the grandstand are picking up their pennants and going home, and the boys in the press box

already have written their copy for the morning edition.

What does the Duval story mean to the State of Texas, you ask? My colleague, Franz Rosenwald, has seen more than one dictatorship rise, flourish, fizzle and die. He says there are two things to remember about dictatorships.

First, they don't just fizzle by themselves. They have to be helped along by people who are fed up with them. Second, there's not much hope for people who get rid of one dictator and fail to lock the door against the next one. And there is always a next one. Under the Texas Constitution there's not likely to be a dictatorial governor, nor even a Legislative governor, nor even a Legislature that gets too far out of line. The old state charter was written in 1875, when carpet-baggers were crawling all over the capital, and the men who wrote it made provisions against abuses of power on the state level. They made Texas counties relatively autonomous, letting them retain much authority which ordinarily belongs to a state. This is especially true of the criminal law.

This local autonomy is a good thing, provided you have safeguards against its misuse. But once a county boss learns enough law to take advantage of the loopholes, you've got a dictator on your hands. This is the way former Attorney General John Ben Shepperd explains it:

"By controlling elections through threats, bribery or the miscounting of the ballots, you control the sheriff, the county and district judges, and the county and district attorneys. Your puppet district judge appoints the grand jury commissioners, and they appoint the grand and petit juries. Since you control the offices, you can lock up or destroy the records, thus removing the evidence. You cannot be arrested, indicted, tried, convicted or sentenced. You are the law in your county."

If you steal or misappropriate the county funds, nobody will know it because you can just refuse to let them see the records. There are few penalties for such activities. Besides, whether you are accused of hiding records or stealing money, or both, you have to be indicted in the county of the offense. And, remember, the grand jury is in your own pocket along with the judge and the prosecuting attorney.

In most cases you can't even be sued for the money you have scooped out of the till, because recovery suits can only be started with the permission of the governing body of the agency you have stolen from. When Shepperd's office and District Attorney Sam Burris filed a suit to recover money misappropriated by the Duval County Commissioners Court, the Commissioners effectively stalled it by refusing to go along with it. It took a couple of dozen court hassles in three different counties and several changes in county commissioners to straighten the mess out.

Back to those secret records. There is no adequate law under which you can be removed from office for refusing to show them. And you can always do as the county auditor of Duval County did. He stood on the Fifth Amendment and refused to say where his records were kept on the grounds that it might tend to incriminate him. There's no law against that, either.

Texas needs many new laws to protect its citizens against another "Duval County." Fifteen corrective measures have been introduced in the Legislature, by the Texas Press Association. Each of these "Better Government Bills" merits public support.

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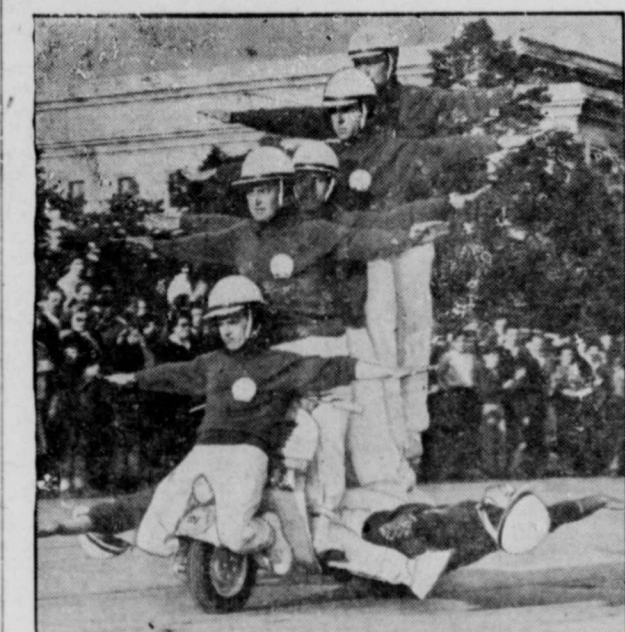
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Mr. and Mrs. B. D. Green and children spent the weekend in Odessa visiting her sister and family. Mr. and Mrs. Joe Mercer

Mr. and Mrs. Olen Lee and Mrs. Roy Johnson and son Bobby Don visited Mrs. Lee's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Hindman, in Rule Sunday and the Lees returned to Rule Tuesday and helped move the Hindmans to Quanah, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Saker of Pittsburg, Kansas, spent last week with Mr. and Mrs. R. L. May and Joan.

Weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ross Marshall were her sister and son, Mrs. Una Durden and Melvin of Iran. Other visitors in their home Sunday were Oran Durden of Sweetwater, Mr. and Mrs. Rufus Marshall and Nanah, Denell and Willard Taylor of Colorado City.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Butler, Sue and Danny, Mrs. S. H. Hart and Mrs. Homer Wilson visited in the A. L. McCarley and Bruce Hart homes in Andrews Saturday night and Sunday.

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Others present were Mr. and Mrs. L. D. May and family, Mr. and Mrs. Buck May, Colorado City, and Mr. and Mrs. Ed Stahl of Odessa.

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Mrs. Vernon Spence and children Randy and Debby, of Abilene spent the weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Smith, and Debby remained to spend this week. Also visiting the Smiths Sunday afternoon was Mrs. Douglas Smith of Midland.

Mr. and Mrs. Tommie Horton and Dana Ruth of Ackerley visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Phil Horton, Thursday.

Guests of Mr. and Mrs. Alvie Vest Sunday were her nephew, D. L. Pettit and sons Leon and Dan, of Big Spring.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Smith of Denver City spent the weekend with his mother, Mrs. A. B. Smith and Mr. Smith attended the Great American Health and Life Insurance meeting and banquet at the Windsor Hotel in Abilene Friday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Bowles and sons visited in Miami during the weekend with her sister and husband and little daughter. Mr. and Mrs. Royce Beights and Claudette Renee, and with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Lefevre, who have visited in the Beights home the past ten days.

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Veterans' News

Questions and Answers

Q. Is it possible for the daughter of a deceased war veteran to go to school under the War Orphans education program and, at the same time, draw death benefit payments under the Survivors Benefits Act?

A. No. The law does not allow dual payments to be made under both programs.

Q. I want to sell the house I bought with a GI loan, allowing the buyer to take over my loan. I understand that, under certain conditions, I can be released from liability to the Government. Just what does this mean?

A. Release from liability means that if an approved purchaser defaults on the loan and VA has to pay the guaranteed portion to the lender, the VA will not attempt to collect from you. Any VA office can tell you how to apply for release from liability.

Q. I am a totally disabled veteran, and premiums on my GI term insurance policy are under disability waiver. My policy is nearing the end of its term. Will VA renew it automatically, even though under my waiver I am not paying premiums?

A. Yes. Even though your GI term policy is under waiver, VA will renew it automatically when it reaches the end of its term.

Q. I applied for vocational training under Public Law 894, but before I began I was re-examined by the VA and my disability compensation was reduced below 10 per cent. Will I still be allowed to train?

A. No. Veterans whose disabilities have been reduced below 10 per cent before starting rehabilitation training may not begin under Public Law 894. What you should do, however, is look into the possibilities of taking your training under the Korean GI Bill instead.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Allbright and children of Odessa spent the weekend with their parents, Mrs. Pearl Allbright and Mr. and Mrs. Wiley Walker.

NOTICE OF ELECTION

Notice is hereby given that an election will be held at the City Hall in Loraine, Texas, on Tuesday, April 2, 1957, for the purpose of electing a Mayor and three (3) Aldermen for the City of Loraine.

W. C. House has been appointed election judge with R. K. Thornhill and G. B. Tarrt, clerks.

Only qualified voters who reside in the City limits of Loraine will be eligible to vote at the election.

All candidates for office in the City must be bona fide residents of the City and qualified voters in the State of Texas.

Vance Dickenson, Mayor

Homer Hart, City Secretary.

Drive out to the Dona-Lin Snack Bar for hamburgers, sandwiches, fried pies, coffee and cold drinks. Open at 6:30 p. m. for early comers. adv.

Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Green, Jr. and Marsha Ann and Mr. and Mrs. George Mahoney and Nubbin visited the Walter Lehmanns in Abilene Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Mahoney, Jr. and James Davis and Cathy of Fort Worth visited his grandmother, Mrs. Bessie Mahoney, Sunday.

Guests of Miss Fannie Stephens Monday were Mrs. Katie Chick and Mrs. Mable Akire of Cisco. They were enroute home after visiting in Lamesa.

Mr. and Mrs. Bud Shepherd and Beth and Mrs. J. A. Shepherd visited in the home of their sister and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Harper, in Lovington, N. M., Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Deryl Bennett of Andrews spent the weekend with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Bennett.

Mr. and Mrs. B. W. Tarrt and daughters and Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Mease and Mike spent last weekend fishing at Buchanan Lake.

Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Baird and Ronnie of Big Spring visited in the homes of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Bennett and Mrs. Ida Baird Sunday afternoon.

Sandwiches, hamburgers, pies, coffee and cold drinks served at the Dona-Lin Snack Bar, 6:30 p. m. until after the show. adv.

Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Furlow returned home last Monday from Corpus Christi, where they had spent ten days visiting in the homes of their daughters, Dr. and Mrs. June Yates, and Mrs. Joyce Wilson, and with their son Doyle Furlow and family.

For a light snack visit the Dona-Lin Snack Bar. Eat while you watch the show, or come out before the show starts. adv.

Eddie and Rodney Taylor of Odessa are spending this week with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Dexter Taylor, and with Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Golden in Colorado City.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. King visited over the weekend with their son and family, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. King, Jr. in Plainview.

Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Adrian and children of Hale Center spent the weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Luther Anders, and with his mother, Mrs. M. L. Adrian, in Colorado City.

Rev. and Mrs. Lucian Rudd, Jr. and son of Fort Worth spent the weekend with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Teeters.



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