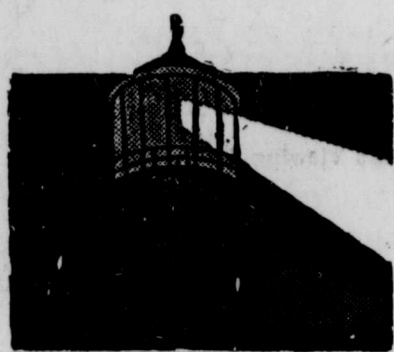




On The BEAM

J. W. KING, SR.

In our part of the country we are hunting for bugs, chemicals or anything that will stop the inroads of the boll weevil into our cotton crops.

In some parts of our state and nation they are hunting for a bug that eats mesquite and nothing else. In fact, a Texas Tech entomologist left recently to join another Tech colleague in Argentina where they will work with Argentina officials in searching for a bug or insect that loves to dine on mesquite and will eat nothing else.

The scientists will study the bug for a year or two before bringing the species back to the United States.

If you think the mesquite is not water drinking tree, convince yourself that it is by planting any kind of crop alongside a pasture or fencerow where mesquite abounds and see what happens.

We are indebted to Cline Taylor for an article he clipped from the Andrews paper which discussed this subject and ended with the following paragraph:

"If the two Techs can come up with an insect that can multiply and eventually wipe out mesquite in Texas and the Southwest, they'll have a real bug on their hands."

Communists in Vietnam are making a determined effort at this time to disrupt the South Vietnamese government and take it over. They had some success for a time but have been thwarted in their purpose. The long expected push in the North has been started but I think our forces will defeat them in such a manner that it may bring about peace.

Lone Wolf Mountain to Get Historic Marker

Since announcements regarding erection and dedication of the Lone Wolf Historical Marker in Loraine will be made soon, perhaps a poem by a former resident would be of interest to readers. The poem is taken from "The Rolling Stone," a monthly publication of Roy G. Edwards, Major USAF Retired, Tampa, Fla. The poem was submitted by Mrs. Hal Bennett, member of the Mitchell County Historical Survey Committee and the Athenium Study Club.

A PRAYER FOR LORAIN

By ROY G. EDWARDS
(USAF, Retired) Tampa, Florida

On Lone Wolf Mountain I stopped to pray
And I gazed over the valley far away,
Across the fields of golden grain
To the little village that's called Loraine.

And as I offered my prayer to Eternal God
I thought of the men who had tilled that sod
Who had worked in the wind and the sun and the rain
And had devoted their lives to the town of Loraine.

And as I thought of the women, so pretty and fair
I prayed unto God that peace would be there
In this beautiful village, blessed by God,
Where the people are simple and near to the sod,

And I asked the Lord in his wisdom and grace
To give special blessings to this wonderful place
To this town of my birth, where I'd come once again,
To my lovely, small village, that's known as Loraine,

And as I prayed for the children of this little, small town,
From the races of white and black and brown,
I asked the Dear Lord to protect them from harm
And keep them from fear and want and alarm,

And as I continued my reverent prayer
I had the deep feeling that God's love was there,
As I stood on Lone Wolf and prayer unto God
I knew that I too was part of that sod.

For all who have lived here return to Loraine
To renew faith in God and live once again.
In the simple beauty of God's eternal grace
They must return and return to this special place.

So I ended by prayer to Eternal God
And shouldered my load and across the valley I trod,
For I was returning to this place once again,
To my beautiful village, to the place called Loraine.

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Top Notch Cotton Conference Slated at Lubbock February 15

LUBBOCK — South Plains cotton producers and agribusinessmen will get first-hand information on the production of quality cotton at a conference to be held at the KoKo Palace on Feb. 15.

The program is slated to kick off at 9:30 a.m., according to Billy C. Gunter, Extension District 2 agricultural agent, Lubbock.

Leadoff speaker at the session will be one of the foremost cotton economists in the nation, Dr. M. K. Horne Jr., chief economist of the National Cotton Council, Memphis, Tenn. Horne will discuss the world cotton situation and the demand for quality cotton.

Quality cotton production programs are essential to meet this demand and these programs will be discussed by Wayne Underwood vice president of Lockett Seed Farms, Vernon.

Center Personnel to Speak
One of the highlights of the conference will be a discussion on "Cotton Varieties and Fiber Quality Improvement" by Dr. Levon Ray in charge of the cotton breeding program at the South Plains Research and Extension Center.

The cotton fiber development process will be discussed by Dr. Robert Metzger, Extension area agronomist at the Center.

Certain cultural practices also play an important role in the overall cotton quality picture. At the session, a discussion on "Planting and Harvesting Techniques for Fiber Quality Control" by Elmer Hudspeth, ARS agricultural engineer at the Center, should be of extreme interest to all producers.

In line with this will be a

discussion on "Improved Production Practices with Emphasis on Producing Acceptable Micronaire" by Bill R. Taylor, Hockley County agricultural agent. Facts about the 1967 LSM Program will be presented by Dan Davis, general manager of the Plains Cotton Cooperative Association. Roy Baker, head of the Cotton Ginning Research Laboratory at the Center, will talk on ginning for fiber quality preservation and will also give a rundown on the new ginning laboratory that is being built at the Center.

'68 Upland Cotton Program To Be Discussed

A discussion on the 1968 Upland Cotton Program should also be of interest to producers since the sign-up period has just gotten underway. John Seibert, Extension farm management specialist at the Center, will present this information.

Chairman of the morning session will be Lee Roy Colgan, Dawson County agricultural agent while Jack McIntosh, the chairman of the Floyd County Program Building Committee, will preside at the afternoon gathering.

The conference is sponsored by South Plains county agricultural agents and county program building committees.

Red Cross Drive In Progress

Annual drive for the Mitchell County Red Cross Chapter is in progress this week, according to local co-chairmen, Mrs. Edd Small and Mrs. Hershel Williams. Jack Walker is County Chairman.

The County kick-off breakfast was held at 7 a.m. Thursday, Feb. 1, at the Villa Inn in Colorado City, at which time the chapter received a certificate of appreciation for 50 years service in Mitchell Co. The presentation was made by Sherman Fant of Midland, Red Cross Field Representative. Mrs. Bonni Burk has worked as Red Cross volunteer since 1934 and has held the executive secretary's post since 1942.

A film of Red Cross Workers in Vietnam was shown at the breakfast.

Mrs. Small and Mrs. Williams will be assisted in the drive by Evert Henderson and Archie Scarbrough, business section; Mrs. Dual Blair and Mrs. Wayne Oliver, North Loraine; Mrs. Atwood Sheffield and Mrs. Don Ritchey, South Loraine.

Workers in the city are Mmes. Earl Phillips, Jap Doyle, Jack Brewer, Delmar McDaniel, W. D. Cain, Wendell Banks, Kenneth Merket, Verla Mae Ahkins, Jack Walker. Mrs. Leroy Scott and Mrs. T. J. Green Jr. will contact the faculty and school employees.

If you are not contacted, you may turn your contribution in to these two chairmen or any of the workers.

HERE FROM ALASKA

Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Hays have had as their guest the past week their son-in-law, Jim Brannon from Anchorage, Alaska. Mr. Brannon came to Texas for a visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Brannon at Inadale and with the Hays. Mr. Brannon made the trip at this time while on his vacation from work. Mrs. Brannon and their sons will be coming this summer for a visit with the Hays and Brannons.

Lunchroom Menu . . .

Monday
Tamale pie, Mex - i - hominy, vegetables and pickles, apple sauce, orange juice, hot rolls, butter, milk.

Tuesday
Pinto beans with ham, potato salad, buttered cabbage mixed fruit dessert, corn bread, butter, milk.

Wednesday
Pizza, tossed salad, buttered corn, peaches, cookies, milk.

Thursday
Turkey, dressing, gravy, buttered peas, stuffed celery, fruit-ed jello, milk.

Friday
Vegetable soup, meat sandwich, peanut butter, lettuce and tomato salad, apple sauce, crackers, cake, milk.

Hospital Notes

Entered — Miss Margaret Jones, Miss Phyllis Moreno, Mrs. Manuel Vasquez, Mrs. J. G. Montgomery, Mrs. Earl Hallmark, Mrs. E. W. Hardy, Mrs. Ed Althof, Mrs. Etta Williams, W. H. Howard, Brenda Rose, E. O. Walker, Gail Richard, Mrs. Wiley Rawlings, Linda Wiggins. Born to Mr. and Mrs. Manuel Vasquez, Loraine a 7 lb. 14 oz. girl, Jan. 31.

Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Hardy, Snyder, a 9 lb 9 1/2 oz. Boy, Feb. 2.

Dismissed — Phyllis Moreno, Mrs. A. A. Turnbow, Mrs. Lula Hagood, Elmer Spears, Mrs. Manuel Vasquez and baby, Mrs. C. P. Chastian, Mrs. Ed Althof, Claude Newton, Brenda Rose, Mrs. E. W. Hardy and baby, Mrs. J. G. Montgomery, Mr. A. A. Turnbow, Mrs. Etta Williams.

Mrs. Glen Coon Surprises Burglars At Her Home Friday Afternoon

On returning home about 5 o'clock Friday afternoon, Mrs. Glen Coon made a surprise appearance on three young men who were helping themselves to valuables in her home.

As Mrs. Coon drove up on the Southwest side of her home, she noticed a man in a parked car on the East side of the house. On seeing Mrs. Coon, he sounded a warning by honking the car horn and two other young men hurried to the car and they drove off North on FM Road 614.

She said the three young men or boys were dark complexioned, and were driving an old model white Chevrolet.

They had gained entrance to the house by pulling loose a locked screen door and breaking through the door.

"It looked as if every drawer in the house had been pulled out and dumped on the floor," said Mrs. Coon. They had also gone through closets. A .32 caliber revolver, Mrs. Coon's watch, and other jewelry were missing. The pistol was a valuable family possession, belonging to her father, the late S. E. Brown 60 years ago. He had kept it in the vault of the First State Bank while serving as the bank's first president.

Mrs. Coon entered the house

after the car drove away, not knowing they had gained entrance. Upon finding the ransacked rooms, she returned to her car and drove back to town to report to the police. While she was away Mr. Coon arrived home and finding the door open, the contents of drawers dumped on the floor, and house ransacked and Mrs. Coon and the car gone, he had some anxious moments before she returned with the officers.

Officers had not been able to obtain any clue on the burglary Monday.

Merket Places 1st In Abilene Show

Jackie Merket took 1st place in the heavyweight division with his 1045 pound Angus steer, Black Boy, at the Abilene Fat Stock Show.

The calf was bred by Lee Roy Cornutt of Colorado City. Jackie is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Jimmie Merket of Loraine and is a member of Highland FFA Chapter.

Jackie also placed 8th at the Fort Worth show with the same steer.

Mrs. Martin Dobbs and Tom were weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. Del Kirby in Levelland.

First State Bank of Loraine Marks Sixtieth Anniversary

The First State Bank of Loraine, Texas, was organized on the 14th day of January, 1908, at 2 p. m. in the office of Mr. Ben Smith, with the following stockholders present: S. E. Brown, H. R. Looby, T. J. Coffee, J. M. Templeton, O. J. Smith, D. C. McRae, G. B. Coughran, J. E. Hooper, G. M. Thomason and W. C. Brown.

The original capital stock was divided into 180 shares at \$100.00 each, for a total of \$18,000. The following officers were elected: S. E. Brown, President; and D. E. McRae, Cashier. The following were elected as the first directors of the new bank: S. E. Brown, J. M. Templeton, D. C. McRae, H. R. Looby, T. J. Coffee and J. E. Hooper.

The Corporate Seal was affixed on February 1, 1908, and the First State Bank of Loraine was officially open for business. S. E. Brown served as president of the bank until February 1, 1925, when he retired because of ill health. He passed away on May 12, 1925.

Loraine Teams Play Ira Feb. 8

All basketball teams in Loraine High School will be playing at Ira Thursday, Feb. 8.

The Junior High girls' game will start at 5:30 p.m. followed by the junior boys team playing at 6:30.

The Senior girls' game is scheduled for 7:30 and will be followed by the senior boys game.

The high school games had been scheduled for Friday night, Feb. 9, but was changed to play Thursday night, along with the other teams from Loraine.

TO ODESSA HOSPITAL

Mr. A. A. Turnbow was transferred to the Odessa hospital from Johnson Hospital on Monday where he had been a patient suffering Pneumonia.

IN MEMORY OF BOYHOOD

The following is a poem written by Major (retired) Roy G. Edwards of Tampa, Florida, a former Loraine boy -- in memory of his boyhood chum, Marion (Sonny) Rhodes who recently died in Corpus Christi.

Roy G. said his closest friends as a school boy in Loraine were Marion (Sonny) Rhodes and Robert (Nubbin) Mahoney, both deceased. Roy G. and his wife have two sons and named one of them Robert Marion for these two friends.

TO SONNY

By Roy G. Edwards

We roamed the fields and meadows
In the town of old Loraine,
For he was my friend of boyhood
And I yearn for him again.

But as I grasp through span of time
For those pleasant days of yore
I am beset by mortal sadness
That I shall see my friends no more.

For he sleeps now through the ages,
Called by the gentle hand of God,
And he who loved the fields and meadows
Now slumbers quietly beneath the sod.

Sonny, Sonny, oh, my friend!
Only kind words passed between us,
And at sunset I still hear your voice
When the bells toll out the Angelus.

Friend of my youth, companion and pal,
None other ever took your place,
And through the misty years of time
I still behold your youthful face.

Our paths did part when manhood came
And I was to see you never more,
But none the less, my trusted friend,
I too must pass through Heaven's door.

And on that day when life does cease,
And I join others gone before me,
I hope that you can grasp my hand
And join me in Eternity.

Sonny, Sonny, friend of my youth,
Through misty eyes I behold you still,
And when the bells toll out at dusk
I'll bend my head unto God's will.

And in this prayer for your repose,
I'll pray that God will bless me too,
There was no other, friend or brother,
Who was as close a friend as you.

So farewell my loyal friend,
I say no more to others,
But your memory I will always keep
For we were truly "Friendship Brothers."

But this I promise, as pen writes on
And the verse is set to dry,
I will keep our friendship in my heart
And in my memory you will never die.

Toll the bells, toll the bells,
Ring out now the Angelus.
Sunset's gone and evening falls,
And Angels chant in tones melodious.

Mr. T. J. Coffee was elected inactive president in July, 1925 and he served in this capacity until October, 1928. His two sons Charlie and John Coffee were active in the operation of the bank during this period.

Mr. C. H. Laskey was elected inactive President in January, 1928 and he served in this capacity until May, 1936. During this period, Mr. J. C. Hall served as active vice president and was actually responsible for the operation of the bank. Mr. Hall was elected president of the bank in June, 1936. He served actively in this capacity through December, 1937 and then as inactive president until December 1948. During the period that Mr. Hall served the bank as president in both active and inactive positions, Mr. K. L. Taylor was serving first as cashier and later as vice president and cashier. Mr. Taylor actually became responsible for the operation of the bank in January 1938. Mr. Taylor was elected president in January 1948, and held this position until his death on the 29th day of October, 1963. Mrs. K. L. Taylor was elected inactive president in November 1963, and held this position until January 1964.

In the January 1964 directors meeting, Herbert Mearse was elected President of the bank, and is presently serving in this capacity. Other officers are H. E. Thomas, inactive vice president and R. B. Bruce, cashier. Mr. Mearse began his employment with the bank September 14, 1950. Mr. Bruce began his employment March 1, 1960. H. E. Thomas was elected vice president inactive in 1959. Other employees are Mrs. Vida Mae McDaniel, who began work on May 4, 1953; Mrs. Eula Faye Johnson who began her second employment January 18, 1965; Mrs. Christine Marse is a part time employee who first began work on January 3, 1956; and Mike Mearse was employed during the summer months. Mrs. Lottie Mae Wells and husband, O. D. Wells serve the bank as building custodians.

The bank's present board of directors is composed of Herbert Mearse, Mrs. K. L. Taylor, B. W. Tartt, H. E. Thomas and Dr. Bruce H. Johnson. Since its organization the bank has weathered many ups and downs in the local economy. There have been prosperous times and lean times, periods of feasts and periods of famine, so to speak. During its 60 year period of operation, the bank has improved its capital structure from the original 180 shares with \$1,800.00 per value to 600 shares having par value of \$60,000.00. A surplus fund of \$60,000.00 has been accumulated plus \$154,000.00 in the profits and reserves account. The combined total of all deposits is now \$1,793,418.00. For many years the slogan of the bank has been "A Home-Owned Service Institution." This slogan still very well applies, as only 20 shares of the total 600 shares are owned by stockholders residing outside the Loraine and Mitchell County area. During its 60 years of operation, the First State Bank has served the financial needs of the local people very well. A number of officers and employees who have come and gone have contributed much to the success of the bank and the development of the community.

The bank's present officers, directors and entire staff pledge themselves to continue to give the Loraine community and surrounding area the kind of banking service it deserves.

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GOOD BEEF ARM or SEVEN BONE ROAST, lb. ...	55c
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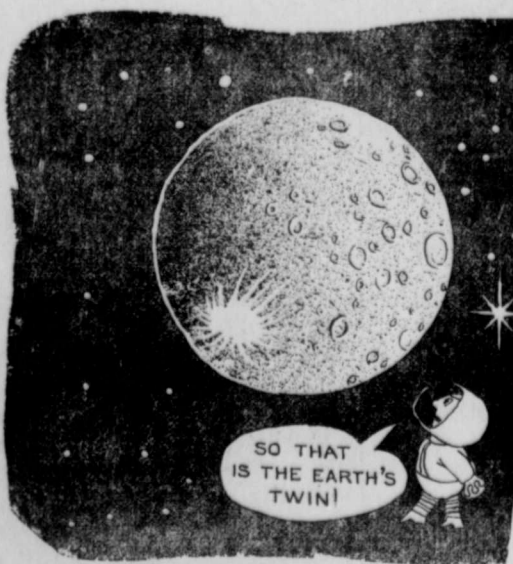


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Pioneer Club To Meet Thursday

The Pioneer Club will hold their annual reunion Thursday night, Feb. 8, at 7 p.m. in the Lions Club.

Moody Richardson is president of the Club. Chairmen working on committees for the affair are, Program: Cline Taylor, Mrs. James Bennett and Clifton Henderson; Food: Mrs. Buck Taylor, Mrs. Ham Preston and Mrs. Herman Miles; Decorating: Mrs. Floyd Richey, Mrs. Vanda Martin and Dexter Taylor.

A covered dish supper will be served.

This club is made up of old settlers from the Zellner and the Pleasant Valley Communities and everyone who once lived and went to school in these communities are invited to attend.

Mary Martha Class In Preston Home

Mrs. Ray Preston hosted the Mary Martha S. S. Class in their regular meeting Monday night, Feb. 5.

Meeting opened with group singing the class song, "We'll Work." Mrs. Calvin Forbus used as her subject, "The Good Samaritan," in bringing the Devotional, followed with prayer by Mrs. Loyd Wiggins.

Each member of the class answered the question "What My Church Means to Me."

Mrs. Ed Small, president, called the meeting to order and Mrs. Jack Richey read the minutes of the last meeting. Business in the interest of the class was attended to.

Mrs. Raymond Wheeler, class teacher, directed games.

Refreshments of punch and lemon pie were served to Mes. Billie Ruth Tartt, Earl Phillips, Wheeler, Leroy Lucas, Price Hall, Loyd Wiggins, E. J. Schroeder, Herbert Mearse, Ed Small, Jack Richey, Calvin Forbus.

Mrs. Lois Spikes and daughter Mrs. Dan George and daughters from Wichita Falls spent the weekend here visiting her sister, Mrs. Wimberly Butler and Mr. Butler and in the home of Mrs. J. E. Spikes and with Mrs. Spikes at the Johnson Hospital.

Methodist WSCS Hold Regular Study

The W.S.C.S. of the First Methodist Church met Wednesday morning at 9 o'clock for their regular study lesson.

Mrs. Floyd Richey read scriptures from Matt. 14-22-33 in bringing the devotional on "Faith Against Life's Storms."

Mrs. James Watkins had charge of the program and talked on the subject, "Kayto in Japan." Mrs. Ray Copeland discussed Japan Today and what lies ahead; Mrs. Jack Linam told about a Missionary in Japan who says they have a high educational level in Japan and that life there is very exciting.

Present were Meses: Richey, Watkins, C. H. Martin, Linam, Wiley Walker, Jim Johnson, Lily Bennett, Martin Dobbs, Claud Neely, Marshall Bruce, Roy Wells, K. L. Taylor, Percy Bond, Willie Taylor, Ray Copeland, James Bennett.

Mrs. Compton Honored at Tea

Mrs. Dalton Compton was honored with a post-nuptial bridal shower Saturday night, January 27, in the Westbrook Baptist Church fellowship hall. Mrs. Compton, the former Miss Paula Lewis, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Morris of Westbrook and the groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Andy Compton of Loraine.

The bride's chosen colors of blue and white were used in the decorations. Serving cake squares and punch to the guests were Meses Sue Bell and Sandy Anderson. Approximately 40 were registered.

Hostesses were members of the Homemakers, J.O.Y. and Ruth Sunday School classes of Westbrook Baptist church.

Special guests were mothers of the couple, Mrs. Cecil Morris and Mrs. Andy Compton and also grandmother of the groom, Mrs. Charlie Neel of Loraine.

Hobbs Here Tuesday For Basketball Games

Next Tuesday night, Feb. 13, the Senior High basketball teams, both boys and girls, will be hosts to the Hobbs teams in their final game of the season at the local gym.

The game will start at 7 p.m. The public is invited to come out and see these teams in their final games of the season.

Mr. and Mrs. Ham Preston returned home Monday after spending the weekend in Abilene with a son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Preston.

Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Jarratt of Fort Davis came in Tuesday and spent the first of the week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. West and Mrs. Jarratt remained for a longer visit.

THANK YOU

Thank you Loraine friends for your cooperation and help to me as I served you in the capacity of Vocational Agriculture teacher these 13 1/2 years. They have been pleasant years which I shall always remember as highlights in my life.

Thank you also for the farewell party, the gifts and all the expressions of good wishes extended me.

Sincerely,
Raymond Holt

Methodists Have Family Night

Members of the Methodist Church held their Family Night last Wednesday, Jan. 31 at 7 p.m.

A covered dish supper was served.

In bringing the program for the evening, Mrs. Wiley Walker read scriptures that tells of the birds in the Bible, such as sparrows, swallows, crane, crane, turtle doves, stork, etc.

In her talk she corresponded the birds and their habits with the life of church members, and read the book "The Bird Life in Winston," by J. Calvin Reid.

She told of the most popular local birds and said the mockingbird was our state bird and is the only bird that sings in the night. The hummingbird is the smallest bird and the only bird that flies backward or forward and is seen mostly from April to October. The Cardinal is the most beautiful of all local birds, and the Oriole is also a very colorful and beautiful bird.

The program was very informative and a lesson for each Christian was gained from it.

Tea in Preston Home Honors Mrs. Hughes

A gift tea honoring Mrs. Raymond Hughes, the former Miss Joyce Lynn Furlow was given in the Ray Preston home, Saturday night, February 3, from 7 to 9 p.m.

A red centerpiece of tulips, carnations and red candles, centered the refreshment table arranged in silver and crystal and laid in white linen cloth. The bride's chosen colors of red and white were used in refreshments of red punch and cake decorated in white and red.

Mrs. Ed Small served the cake and Mrs. Callie Greer of Odessa served the punch. Miss Carla Britton and Mrs. Rex McDaniel registered the gifts. They were assisted by Mrs. Woodrow Pratt.

Out of town guests were Miss Sue Barron of Lamesa, Mrs. Greer of Odessa, Mrs. Mable Green of Highland, Mrs. J. B. Cushing and Mrs. Don McDonauld of Big Spring.

Co-hostesses with Mrs. Preston were Meses: Rex McDaniel, Woodrow Pratt, Billie Ruth Tartt, Earl Phillips, Calvin Forbus, E. J. Schroeder, J. C. Hall Jr., Vance Dickenson, Herbert Mearse, E. Small, Joe Terry, Price Hall, Gene Britton, Lynn Hamilton, Howard Tartt, Garland Cary, Delmar McDaniel, Hubert Meadows, Luther Anders, and Maylon Beaty.

Baptist WMU Circles Met Monday

Both circles of the Baptist W.M.U. met at the church Monday afternoon with the Willie Mae Kennedy Circle bringing the program.

Meeting opened with the song, "I Gave My Life for Thee." Mrs. Woodrow Pratt read the Call to Prayer and Mrs. King led in prayer for the missionaries. Mrs. King was elected secretary to take the place of Mrs. Roy Linder.

Mrs. King read the minutes of the last meeting and officers gave their reports for the month of January.

Mrs. Buck Taylor led in presenting the program on "Money for Missions" and gave the Introduction.

Mrs. Thomas Riden and Mrs. H. L. Leach gave a skit pertaining to the use of our money. Mrs. Pratt discussed the subject, "Do We Have a Plan for Giving?" Mrs. Cline Taylor discussed "What Is Accomplished Through Our Mission Gifts." Mrs. Bennett told about "How this plan works in our church and gave statistics and Mrs. King talked on "What About My Giving?"

Mrs. Taylor gave the closing thoughts and Mrs. Bennett led the closing prayer.

Present were Meses: Pratt, Riden, Cline Taylor, Bennett, Buck Taylor, J. C. Hall, Myrtle Martin, L. E. Crutcher, Leach and H. G. Denson.

Mrs. Alfred Richey returned home Thursday after visiting since Christmas with a daughter, Mrs. Alma Horton in Corpus Christi.

Weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Butler and Danny were Mr. and Mrs. Max Irwin and Tama of Abilene. Others visiting Sunday were Mrs. Harry Dockery and Bill and Mr. and Mrs. Bo Hillard of Colorado City and Mr. and Mrs. Huitt Butler and Don, Bidland, and Mrs. Dan Butler.



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Loraine Passes

Mrs. Bob Kinder passed away about 1:30 in Big Spring. She had been ill for the last few days. She had suffered from a heart ailment since her funeral. Available for writing.

19,210 Ginned

A total of 19,210 bales of cotton has been ginned at the Mitchell County Cotton Gin in late February. All gins come and 20,500 bales crop.

Loraine's a total of approximately

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Lorainian's Father Passes Away

Mrs. Bob Looney's father, Tom Kinder passed away Tuesday about 1:30 in Cowper Hospital in Big Spring, Texas. Mr. Kinder had been ill for a long time and had lived in Coahoma, Texas for the last few years.

He had suffered a stroke which had confined him to the hospital since early January.

Funeral arrangements are not available at the time of this writing.

19,210 Bales of Cotton Ginned in County

A total of 19,210 bales of cotton has been processed in Mitchell County on a count turned in late Tuesday, Feb. 6.

All gins expect more cotton to come and estimated a total of 20,500 bales will be the season's crop.

Loraine's two gins had ginned a total of 3616 bales and expect approximately 200 more bales.

MOVE TO DALLAS

Mr. and Mrs. Chester Collier and little son Jimmy moved to Dallas this week where Mr. Collier has work and will be enrolling in IBM School.

Mrs. Holman Hosts Sunday School Class

Mrs. T. L. Holman entertained her former S. S. Class, the Ruth Class of the Payne Baptist Church in their February business and social meeting Monday, Feb. 5.

Mrs. Holman read First John 2:5 in bringing the devotional.

After the business session, a social hour was enjoyed and refreshments served to Mmes. Charles Williams, J. D. Gibson, Henry McGuire, Dennis Fortenberry, Fred Theis, C. N. Stubblefield.

The Holmans were members of the Payne church until their recent move to their new home north of Loraine.

Mr. and Mrs. Hershel Williams visited his mother, Mrs. L. W. Williams in Winters Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Terry Turnbow of El Indio spent Sunday night with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Turnbow and visited in the Olen Lee home Monday before accompanying his parents to Odessa where Mr. Turnbow was admitted to the Odessa hospital for tests and treatment.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Wright spent the weekend in Hermleigh with a son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Wright.

Mrs. Charles Nimitz visited her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Wright as she was en route to Fort Worth where she will live and enroll at the State University at Arlington. She has been living with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Wright in Carlsbad, N.M., since her husband has been in Greenland on assignment.

Mr. and Mrs. Truitt Butler and Don of Midland visited his mother, Mrs. Dan Butler Sunday.

Church Fellowship

A fellowship hour was held in the educational building after church services at the First Baptist Church Sunday night.

A large group was present and enjoyed and took part in the sing-song. Refreshments of home baked cakes, frosted punch and coffee were served.

IN VA HOSPITAL

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Hamilton went to Big Spring Monday and Mr. Hamilton entered the Veterans Hospital for check up and treatment.

Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Leach of Colorado City visited Mrs. H. L. Leach Friday.

Mrs. Bill Thompson of Roscoe was guest of Mrs. K. L. Taylor, Mrs. Cora Hall and in the Floyd Griffin home Sunday.

Visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Richey Friday were Mr. and Mrs. Archie Horton of Odessa and Mrs. Leman Wilder of Seagraves. Spending Saturday night in their home was her brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Clark of Lubbock.

Guests of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Bennett Sunday afternoon were Mr. and Mrs. Lowell Baird and Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Baird of Big Spring.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Bennett and Mrs. Roy Baird spent Saturday in San Angelo visiting Mrs. Margaret Griffith and Patty.

Mrs. Frank Sanford and girls spent Saturday in San Angelo with a daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Nick Alexander.

Mrs. Jack Coffee is in McKinney spending a week with Mrs. Kenneth Long.



AUSTIN—Around and around goes the Texas Liquor Control Board inquiry -- and where it stops nobody knows.

Threatened with disclosures that would "blow the top off" irregularities in operations of some of its field personnel, the board heard enough to rattle its windows at a one-day public hearing here.

Widely-heralded fact finding proceeding before the three-member board developed little evidence.

But the probe, according to LCB Chairman W. D. Noel of Odessa and First Assistant Atty. Gen. Nola White, coordinator, continue behind the scenes.

Gov. John Connally said the fact that only five witnesses showed up for the hearing (when 500 had been invited) was "very disappointing."

Ex-Inspector William B. Groce and Raymond L. Valenta, among seven Dallas LCB employees fired on December 13, provided most of the testimony. They denied any wrong-doing and demanded exoneration of any part in alleged rigged sale of a confiscated \$78 truck and the reported trading of 11 bottles of confiscated liquor to an auto painter.

Dallas Assistant Dist. Atty. William F. Alexander repeatedly questioned Groce and Valenta about their association with a 417-pound private investigator named Smoky Joe Smith. Smith is under indictment on charges growing out of alleged efforts to "fix" liquor license suspensions.

That some partiality was shown in enforcing liquor laws in the Dallas area, was hinted by the ousted inspectors. But they denied pressure to put anybody out of business or any knowledge of license suspension reductions by the board's state headquarters.

White commented after the hearing that no real evidence of wrong-doing developed. Further hearings in Jasper, Dallas, Odessa and Tyler have been suggested.

Meanwhile, new fuel was thrown on the fire by the firing or resignation of the board's supervisor of investigation John W. Crank. Crank said he quit because he was "fed up." The board said he was relieved of his duties.

BUDGET — State agencies now are in the process of presenting their 1968-69 budget requests to the Legislative Budget Board and the Governor's Budget Office.

Staffers in these offices have indicated they can be ready for a special legislative session by the end of February if that time should strike the fancy of Governor Connally.

Budget office personnel are confining their attention to agencies offering major changes in their proposals over funds allocated for fiscal 1968.

CONSTITUTION EVISION — A blue-ribbon constitutional revision commission has set itself a late-May deadline for the processing of study-group proposals for changing the state constitution by sections.

Commission granted its study sub-committees broad leeway as to whether to recommend sweeping "philosophical" rewriting or simple updating of basic laws and elimination of deadwood. Most members appeared to lean toward the latter, and some warned that the legislature is going to do as it pleases anyway with the final handiwork.

POLLUTION SUITS — Two Dallas corporations are suing the Texas Water Quality Board which ordered them to stop releasing untreated sewage into the Sabin River near Orange.

Meanwhile, the board has taken legal action against Harris County Water Control and Improvement District No. 60 to stop the discharges from its plant into Middle Bayou and Clear Lake. Board also called for Spring Branch Utilities, Inc. to show cause why it should not

be ordered to stop pollution of Spring Branch Creek in Houston and Spring Valley with sewage plant effluent.

Inwood Development Co. and Westgate Corporation, owners of Riverside Homes Addition near Orange U. S. Naval Station filed suit after the board told them to tie into the Orange sewage system. Petition claimed the board has no authority over Sabine River since it is the subject of a Texas-Louisiana boundary dispute. Also involved are questions of proof that the plant release is detrimental to health.

Board also learned that Shell Chemical Co. is building a \$4,000,000 secondary waste-water treatment plant at Houston.

SCHOOL HEARINGS SET — House standing committee on education will hold 10 statewide public hearings during February. First will be in Kilgore on February 20 and the second in Gainesville on February 22.

Chairman George Hinson of Mineola says the principal purpose is to determine the needs in the area of vocational and technical education and to explore inadequacies and lack of coordination. Most of the hearings will be held in rural areas and smaller towns, although metropolitan problems also will be explored.

Representatives of the Texas Education Agency, the higher education coordinating board, the regional education centers and the governor's public school study committee will report at hearing. Educators, business and industrial leaders and private citizens are invited to testify.

COLLEGE SALARIES — A new report from the Coordinating Board, Texas College and University System, has pegged Dallas County Junior College as

the highest paying junior college in the state.

Salaries there average \$8,962 annually. But the highest individual income for a junior college teacher \$13,600, is reported from Tarrant County Junior College in Fort Worth.

One with the lowest average salary rate is Hill Junior College at Hillsboro. Average salary there is \$6,525 per year.

CAR INSPECTION SLOW — More than 4,250,000 vehicles still have not been inspected for 1968 auto safety stickers reports the Texas Department of Public Safety. April 15 is the deadline.

Col. Homer Garrison Jr., DPS director, said only 1,574,367 cars have been through inspection lines. A total of 5,072,862 were inspected in 1967.

Garrison urged drivers to have cars inspected soon in order to avoid those long lines which develop every year near the deadline.

Inspections will be a little tougher this year. Items covered include steering, wheels, rims and front seat safety belts where anchorages are part of the manufacturer's original equipment. Garrison observed that some drivers may have to install seat belts before they can get a stamp.

There are 5336 inspection stations in Texas.

PARK GRANTS APPROVED — Federal grants of \$35,200 and \$31,250 respectively have been approved for development of state parks at Daingerfield and Corpus Christi. Funds will be matched by legislative appropriations for \$70,400 and \$62,500 total-cost projects.

Daingerfield's 551 acre unit adjoins an 80 acre lake. Corpus Christi park is on 13,838 acre Lake Corpus Christi near Matthis on the Nueces River.

COURTS SPEAK — State Supreme Court, backing the lower courts, denied Sun Oil's plea for injunctions to keep two Hockley County men from blocking its use of fresh underground water in secondary oil recovery operations.

High Court refused to review a Midland woman's suit against a physician who, she claimed, performed an unnecessary operation that caused a stroke.

APPOINTMENTS — House

Speaker Ben Barnes and California Speaker Jesse Unruh have been named co-vice chairmen of a new Council of State Government Committee on Legislative Modernization. Committee is to develop a series of new techniques to cope with growing problems facing state legislative bodies.

Danny Burger of La Marque has been appointed manager of the \$400,000,000 Texas Water Development Fund succeeding Howard B. Boswell, who has moved up to executive director of the Water Development Board.

Howard Rose, Austin attorney has been elected chairman of the Texas Water Quality Board. Miss Katherine Ard, Conroe, will serve as a field consultant for Texas State Library in a 33-county Southeast Texas area.

Governor Connally appointed former Congressman Ed Gossett of Dallas judge of County Criminal District Court No. 5. He succeeds the late Judge A. D. Bowie.

SHORT SNORTS — Republican leadership has agreed on Wichita Falls attorney Poul W. Eggers, 48, a political unknown, as its preferred GOP candidate for governor. Two other Republicans John Trice of Dallas and Wallace Sisk of Houston, already had filed ... Texas State Teachers Association is polling legislative candidates on how they stand on another pay raise for teachers ... State Public Safety Commission announced a far-reaching new statewide crack-down on crime, with state officers moving in where local law enforcement efforts bog down ... Last year Atty. Gen. Crawford Martin and his staff of 100 attorneys won 98.5 per cent of the department's lawsuits which it tried - Score: 4,095 cases won. 65 lost ... Water Development Board sold a \$15,000,000 bond issue to a syndicate headed by a Chicago bank ... Railroad Commissioner Jim Langdon has filed for re-election to that post.

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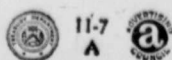
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Mr. and Mrs. Freddy Bowlin, Ben and Bryan from Stanton and Mr. and Mrs. Sanford Bowlin and Kevin from Sweetwater visited their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Bowlin Sunday.

Carol Little of Midland spent the weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Little.

Mr. and Mrs. John White visited with relatives in Midland Saturday.

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