

# Trail Blazers Open 36th Annual Reunion

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PRICE TEN CENTS

### Marshall Formby to Make Address Today

**LARGEST CROWD EVER ASSEMBLED** in Motley County may be on its way this morning to attend the 36th annual reunion of the Motley-Dickens Counties Old Settlers Association at Pioneer Park in Roaring Springs. A parade in the streets of Roaring Springs at 10 a. m. will open the three days and nights of celebration. Registrations of participants in the three evenings of amateur rodeo performances is larger than any previous year.

Marshall Formby, former member of the

State Highway Commission who has said he will be a candidate for governor, will speak at 2:30 this afternoon at the pavilion. He will be introduced by President Robert Reynolds. Formby is a former Dickens County resident.

Memorial services at 11 a. m. will be held at the conclusion of the parade. The memorial address will be made by Rev. Bob Moore, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Roaring Springs.

**Capacity Crowd Expected**  
Indications are that rodeo performances and dances will have capacity crowds. Last year 1200 admissions were paid to the "young people's dance" on the last evening of the reunion (no charge is made for admission of women.)

President Reynolds is making an effort to gather as many of the early pioneers as possible at the pavilion this morning. Some of the early settlers of both counties have not been able to attend in recent years because of infirm health.

**Stores To Close**  
A survey made by the Tribune here yesterday indicates that most business places will follow the established tradition and close today as a tribute to the pioneers.

The usual playground type carnival for youngsters arrived Tuesday and offers various rides and other entertainment.

**HAS HEART ATTACK**

Hoy Lacy of Turkey suffered a heart attack Friday, and was brought to Stanley Hospital, where he is still a patient. Also a heart patient is D. C. Duck of Quitaque.

Jack Simms of Afton underwent surgery at Stanley Hospital, Tuesday, and other patients are Raldo Martin of Flomot and Mrs. Gary Blasingame of Afton there.

### TRAIL DUST

By DOUGLAS MEADOR



Deeds are Heaven's witnesses the judgement of life. Other evidence may be declared irrelevant and immaterial. Most deeds come in the climate of secrecy, however, the noblest and most famous frequently seeking obituary. Thus the case for or against a man can rest with no other authority than God.

Decline of the cowboy's fame may be in sight. A white plastic stern hat is now on the market which brings us to the point where the true followers of the cowboy, stubborn cattle stopped and saddled. This is the place where they tried the feel of plow handles and began sleeping in goats. They were not aware of future creators of song, and and picture would make them romantic heroes. They are tired of the hopeless, difficult work of punching cattle, they are tired of flanking hats men beating their faces.

Somewhere on the far horizon circumstance justice appears have been violated in the nation's great fields of petroleum points. Here is the land that was the Indian's property, here are the same mountains, hills and vales; the naked plains here the Red Man's ancestors took the sleet from soggy twigs and built their pitiful fires. Here is the land where Indian children must have chilled and died, while beneath their parents' moccasins was the unlighted fire that would have brought warmth to their tepees forever. The point is without justification in view of the absence of knowledge or implements to apply it. On the other hand the present generation may be closer to greater power and yet farther from knowledge of it than the Indian camp above the gas field.

Duty is shorn of its sublimity it possesses an alternative.

Gossip is pretty apt, through care of habit, to neglect to wipe mud from its feet when passing its own rug.

Fuel for both fire and love must be added faithfully else the spark consumes itself and the ashes are finally cold.

The strange black stone I carry for luck frequently causes me ponder. Its worth is strictly a proposition, yet when I am tempted to toss it away, I am fearful of some misfortune which it may hold at bay.

### Vacation Halted Before It Starts

Glen Brotherton employed by the State Comptroller's office in his division, had his vacation at short last week. He and Mrs. Brotherton who were accompanied to Colorado by friends from Amarillo, had just arrived when he received a long distance call to return at once.

State Comptroller Robert S. Alvert summoned all employees to his office to report for duty once in order that the state's new tax machinery might be placed in operation as soon as possible.

Brotherton returned to Texas and began work. He went back to Colorado over the weekend and was accompanied home by his wife.



**THEY RODE THE RANGE TOGETHER** — Spur Ranch cowboys in 1894. This picture was made at the Spur headquarters with the commissary building as a back drop. Use of the picture for this engraving is a courtesy of Mr. and Mrs. Duff Green of Roaring Springs. Bob Forbis is the only cowboy in the picture not working for the Spur outfit. At the time the picture was made he was working through with the roundups. The pioneers in the picture are identified as follows: Top row, left to right, Jim Gilmore, Handy Cole, Martin Palmore, George Smith (living) son of Hank Smith. Second row, left to right: Joe Stokes, Gill Green, Fred McFalls, George Wilkes, Doc Ellis, Ben Birdwell, Bob Forbis and Tol Merriman. Third row: John Cammack, Ben Britt, Tommy Ferrall and John Q. Wilkinson. Note: more than half the cowboys in this picture, made 65 years ago, are smoking pipes.

### Rites are Held For Jim Hoover

Funeral services for Jim B. (Uncle Jim) Hoover about 70, were held at 2:30 Tuesday afternoon at the Northfield school house, with C. D. Ashford of Amarillo, officiating. Mr. Hoover died at 5 p. m. Sunday at his home, 1406 Avenue D Nw., in Childress, after a long illness. A resident of the Northfield community until three years ago, Mr. Hoover had spent 40 years in the Panhandle area, and was one of the earlier Matador cowhands until he began farming about 33 years ago. Survivors are his wife of the home address; two sons, Rayworth Hoover of Northfield and Travis Hoover of Los Angeles, Calif.; three daughters, Mrs. Laquita Cox of Paducah, Mrs. Nellie Mae Martin and Rita Hoover, both of Childress; one sister, Mrs. Art Davis of Wichita Falls; and 20 grandchildren. Burial was in Northfield cemetery under direction of Spicer Funeral Home of Memphis.

### Baptist Pastor in Ft. Worth Meeting

Rev. and Mrs. Gene Hawkins and children, Nancy and Keith, left Monday for Fort Worth, where Rev. Hawkins is preaching in a revival meeting at the Tabernacle Baptist Church.

Rev. Morris Pruitt, Wayland College student, whose home is Afton, will supply for both morning and evening services Sunday, Aug. 30, at the First Baptist Church, in the pastor's absence.

Everyone is extended a cordial invitation to attend these services.

### HOME FROM CAMP

Pat Groves arrived here Monday for a three week's visit with his parents and brother, Mr. and Mrs. Algie Groves and Mike. He has been spending the summer at Camp Strake near Conroe, where he was a staff member for the Boy Scout camp there.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Whitworth are on a vacation trip and visiting relatives in Tyler this week.

### MATADOR SCHOOL FACULTY NAMED

Matador school children will start their new school term Monday with regular classes. Supt. Bert Ezzell announced this week. High school students have been issued textbooks, and elementary students will find their books waiting for them when they report Monday morning. Buses will operate on a regular schedule and the luncheon will be open for the noon meal. Students will be dismissed at the regular time of 3:35. The faculty for the school has been completed with the addition of Mrs. Josh Oden and Don Macon.

Mrs. Oden holds the Master's degree from the University of Texas and will teach high school English. Mr. Macon is a graduate of Howard Payne College and has done work on his Master's degree at Texas Tech. He will (Continued on back page)

### Programs Scheduled For State Missions

Prayer programs for State Missions are announced for Tuesday and Wednesday, Sept. 1-2, at the First Baptist Church. The day-long service on Tuesday will begin at 10:00 a. m. with all circles of the Women's Missionary Union participating. A covered dish luncheon will be served at noon.

The theme, "More Like the Master," will be continued in a program arranged for Wednesday mid-week prayer services, at 7:30 p. m.

Mrs. Elbert Reeves, W.M.U. Prayer Chairman will be in charge of the programs.

### SUNDAY IS LAST DAY FOR MINISTER HERE

Sunday will be the last day that Norris Campbell will preach for the Matador Church of Christ as its minister. He has accepted a place as minister of a church near Abilene, where he is assistant professor of psychology at Abilene Christian College.

Minister Campbell has recently received his Doctor's degree in education, from the University of Colorado, at Boulder.

### Roaring Springs Tot Is Drowning Victim

A SMALL GIRL, Lani Gayle Sedgwick, 18-months old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Sedgwick of Roaring Springs, drowned in a small tank near the house, about 2:30 Thursday. She was found by her aunt, Mrs. Bill Palmer, and rushed to Stanley Hospital here, but was dead on arrival.

Mrs. Palmer found a hog at the child's body, and the left hand had been mangled. The small girl had been absent but a few minutes, relatives declared.

The tragedy occurred on the Palmer farm two miles west of Roaring Springs.

Funeral services were conducted at 3 p. m. Saturday, at the Roaring Springs First Baptist Church, with the Rev. Alva Boyd of Midland officiating. Assisting was Rev. Tex Cobb, pastor of the Flag Springs Baptist Church.

Interment was in the Roaring Springs cemetery under the direction of Eudy-Seale Funeral Home.

### Pastor and Family At Methodist Camp

Rev. Weldon Tucker, pastor of First Methodist Church with Mrs. Tucker, their son Wendell and daughter, Carol, are at Ceta Canyon this week, attending Intermediate Camp.

Rev. and Mrs. Tucker are serving as Counselors. Their son Wayne, who has been working there this summer will return home Sunday and prepare to leave for McMurry College, Abilene Sept. 8.

### TO TEACH AT MEADOW

Mrs. George Gray has accepted a position as third grade teacher in the Meadow School system, and left Wednesday morning for her new home. Going with her were her two daughters, Sandra, 16, who will be a junior in high school, and Sheila, 8, who starts to school this year. Her son, Kent, who was graduated from Matador High School this spring, is employed at Matador Implement Co., and will remain here.

### RELATIVES RESIDE IN EARTHQUAKE AREA

Following the fearful earthquake last week in Montana, Mrs. Hub Swaringen experienced several days of anxiety, waiting for a word from her parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. J. McDaniel, a sister and family. Mr. and Mrs. John Barisch and son Jerry, and a brother and family, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. McDaniel, all of whom live at Ennis.

The small town of Ennis was in the path of flood waters in event Hebgren Dam might burst. Mrs. Swaringen received word from her family, assuring her of their safety.

### AREA LIONS HOLD ZONE MEETING

Lions from five clubs attended a zone meeting here Tuesday night at the home of Matador Club President Ben Edwards. They were served a barbecue steak supper on the back lawn of the Edwards home. J. E. Edwards is zone chairman of Dist. 27-1 (Zone 2) Lions attending included B. W. Davis, Roy Powell and James Garth of Paducah, Loren Denton and Arville Setliff of Turkey, Wilburn Martin of Flomot and Deputy Dist. Governor Sam Pagan of Shamrock. Local Lions attending included the Edwards brothers, Frank, Price and Douglas Meador.

### BILL NEIGHBORS IS SCOUT MASTER

Bill Neighbors is the new Scoutmaster for the Granbury troops, according to a recent item in the Hood County News-Tablet. He was elected at a meeting of parents, Scouts and scouters.

"He will take up the duties formerly handled by Bill Heathington who resigned because of his health," the article stated.

Ken Kennon will be working with Mr. Neighbors as assistant Scoutmaster.

A native of Matador, Neighbors was reared here and is the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Neighbors.

Mrs. John Russell visited in Colorado City during the week end in the home of her son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Sonny Russell. Her daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Mantooth of Fort Worth, were also visiting there.

### Fire Damages Drive-In Cafe

Fire, believed to have resulted from a short in an electric potato fryer, damaged Jay's Drive-In cafe shortly after midnight Friday. J. D. Young, manager of the cafe, said damages would probably be in the neighborhood of \$500.

Mr. Young had just completed remodeling and enlarging the cafe, and had been open only one week. He said electricians found the short in the new fryer while attempting to repair it. He believes the short developed and set the grease afire.

The entire cafe was smoked and much of the kitchen equipment was destroyed. Insurance was carried on the equipment but none on the building.

Prompt response of the Matador Volunteer Fire Department probably saved the entire structure, located on U. S. Highway 70, east of the business section.

Mr. Young was replacing equipment as rapidly as possible and said he hoped to be open again by today.

### Friends Erect Monument at Grave of "Pitchfork Kid" in Amarillo Cemetery

Friends remembered "Pitchfork Kid" and have erected the above marker at his grave in Amarillo Llano Cemetery. The lonely cowboy who came to Texas as a homeless waif from the streets of Kansas City when he was a boy, never wanted for friends during his lifetime.

He was William E. Partlow, who was killed in 1919 and buried in Amarillo. His grave was finally located by Fred Hale (of Amarillo) who worked with "The Kid" around the turn of the century.



Friends Erect Monument at Grave of "Pitchfork Kid" in Amarillo Cemetery

The Tribune started a fund to purchase a marker for his grave. Old friends (and many who never knew him) sent contributions. The funds were turned over to Hale who purchased the above marker and had it placed at the grave. The inscription is as follows: "A Cowboy, Pitchfork Kid, William E. Partlow, 1874 (Pitchfork Brand) 1919, An Humble Man Who Achieved Greatness Through Humility and Loyalty To His Friends. Erected in 1959 by His Friends."

# Harry Campbell's Book on Motley County is Tribute to Memory of His Pioneer Parents

MANY ARTICLES ON THE FOUNDING of the vast Matador Ranch by Henry H. Campbell, and the subsequent organization of Motley County have appeared in magazines and newspapers over a period of years.

Little has been recorded however, concerning the person responsible for preserving the records and perpetuating the early history of Motley County for posterity.

It is Harry H. Campbell, son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Campbell, who dynamite it in an effort to do so.

The boulder, inscribed with innumerable names of early-day visitors, still rests on its precarious pedestal in defiance to man and nature. One of his earliest thrills as a small lad came to Harry the time he was permitted to help drive a herd of cattle 30 miles from the mouth of Sanders Hollow to Turtle Hole, now part of the Red Lake holdings.

The boy Harry, usually being "under foot" was the target for jokes as well as pampering. "JEFF BOONE, one of the early deputy sheriffs was a great tease," he likes to recall. "He gave me my first gun — a Smith and Wesson six-shooter — then pretended to arrest me for carrying a gun. I was barefooted, and scared, and I can still feel the sharp gravel cutting my feet as I ran away, to escape being arrested."

ONE OF THE most exciting events of his early life had to do with a couple of bank robbers who had been given lodging at the ranch. "Harry Ginn and another man was at the ranch when officers came and arrested them for robbing a bank and killing the cashier, in New Mexico," Campbell relates. "Ginn's companion was at the Mott Camp when arrested and brought to headquarters."

Officers Count Money "The men had made no particular effort to cover their trail. The officers recovered the money, and I will remember peeping through the partly-open door and watching them count it, in a room adjoining the commissary. There were stacks and stacks of silver."

"A lot of the cowboys liked Ginn and at first didn't believe he was guilty. They wanted to do something to protect him. He drew a life sentence as his punishment. I don't know what happened to the other man."

Mrs. Campbell also believed in Ginn's innocence, partly because of his youth. She felt that he had been framed, and because of her defense of him, he showed his gratitude by sending her a horse-hair quilt which he plaited while serving his term in the New Mexico penitentiary.

THE QUIRT is now displayed in the Texas Tech Historical Museum, Lubbock, in a collection of other early-day possessions of the Campbell family, which have been donated to the museum by Mr. and Mrs. Harry Campbell.

Of his early education, Mr. Campbell recalls that he was first taught by a governess hired by his parents. He later attended school in Estacado and also Floydada, and in the fall of 1891, was enrolled in the Ad Ran College at Thorp Springs.

When the first Matador school was opened in 1892, there were about 25 pupils — children of early settlers, including the Cammacks, Chalks, Morrrows, Atkinsons, Rhinehart and others. The first teacher was Miss Ora Grey.

Drouth Closes Schools During the severe drouth years of '92 and '93, practically all the families moved to other localities, until there were just two pupils — Harry Campbell and Grover Grimmer, who was kin to Sheriff Billy Moses.

Their teacher that year was named Clarence Nugent, and he wore a mustache.

"As long as school lasted, he picked at his mustache," Mr. Campbell said. "I got so nervous just watching him that as soon as I could, I went to the White Star school (at that time called Hide Bug), which also later closed due to drouth conditions."

After this, he entered school at Ennis, in Ellis County, where his father had formerly lived. He enjoyed the social activities offered in the Ennis school.

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HARRY H. CAMPBELL

which had an enrollment of around 500. However it was while here that he got his ears frosted while sleigh-riding in 14-degree-below temperature during the severe blizzard of 1898.

He left school in his junior year and accepted an offer of a job at Childress as bookkeeper and clerk for Jaycox and John Pullington, who operated a wholesale and retail grocery store. He worked here for two years.

Assumes Ranch Management

IN HIS "HISTORY" Mr. Campbell recounts: "On returning home, I took charge of my father's ranch. He had just taken in several hundred head of cattle to pasture and had leased a portion of the Kriss land at \$25 a section. In addition, he had put down a number of wells and erected windmills on the land. For two years, I tended the windmills and kept the cattle on their own range."

During this period he lived in a dugout with his uncle, Mac Campbell, who ran the Lyman Post Office.

Twin sisters, Misses Leonora and Belle McClure came to Motley County from Jack County in 1901.

Miss Leonora McClure taught schools in the area until her marriage the following year, to Jack Luckett. Her sister, Belle, became Mrs. Harry Campbell. Upon her death, she left a small daughter, Erin, 2, who is now Mrs. Ernest Shearer of Alpine.

In 1916, Harry Campbell and Miss Ollie Hand were married in Floydada.

Sons are Ranchers Their three sons, following in their father's (and grandfather's) footsteps, each engage in ranching.

Harold, the oldest, lives on the original Campbell ranch, established by his grandfather after he resigned in 1891 as manager of the Matador Land and Cattle Company.

Lyman lives in Matador and runs the Stokes pasture about six miles west of Matador on Salt Creek in Lost Canyon.

Vance also runs cattle on the Campbell home ranch and is

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## Farewell Parties Surprise for Two

Surprise farewell parties given recently honored Linda Seigler, who will attend Krum High School in Krum this school term, and Sandra Gray, who is moving Meadow where her mother has secured a teaching position.

Miss Seigler was given a Coke party in her honor in the home of a classmate, Bundy Campbell, Saturday, August 22. Cokes and dips were served to the guests by the hostesses, Mrs. Bundy Campbell and Mrs. Frank Price.

A gift was presented to the honoree from her high school friends along with other gifts from individuals.

The home of Carol Campbell was the scene for the surprise party given Sandra Gray, Monday, August 24.

Lime punch, brownies and cookies were served to high school girls and new freshmen. A gift was presented Miss Gray by the girls.

Following the party the MHS cheerleaders, Daphne Lynn, Carol Campbell, and Genevieve Spray, taught new cheering yells to the pep squad members. Attending the meeting was Mrs. Josh Oden, new squad sponsor and English teacher.

ADOPTS DAUGHTER Mr. and Mrs. Guy Kimbell Jr., of Lubbock are announcing the adoption of a daughter. The baby arrived on Aug. 8, and was named Robin Lynn. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Boss Cavitt of Pecos and Mr. and Mrs. Guy Kimbell Sr., of Matador.

Misses Ona and Roberta Jameson and their sister, Mrs. Jim Ratcliff, visited in Plainview Sunday with their brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Jameson.

## RECENT VISITORS IN MARSHALL HOME

Miss Jewel Sampson of Baird has been visiting here several weeks with her sister, Mrs. H.D. Marshall and Mr. Marshall. During the recent visit of their daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. John Green and son, Duff, of Bakersfield, Calif., the Marshalls also had their other children as guests. These included Mr. and Mrs. R.L. "Cotton" Marshall and son, Gary, of Oklahoma City; Mr. and Mrs. Fred Clower and sons, Dahl and Dwight, of Plainview; Mr. and Mrs. W.H. Marshall and daughter, Ruth Ann, of Roaring Springs, and other visitors from Roaring Springs, being Mr. and Mrs. Lee Marshall, and Mr. and Mrs. Newton Fletcher, with their son and family, Mr. and Mrs. J.N. Fletcher and baby son, Marty, of Lubbock.

Mrs. J. L. Huey of Krum, arrived Saturday and has been visiting relatives this week, including her brothers, Virgie, Littleton and Ward Rattan, and in the Eldred Seigler home.

## Plumlee Children Meet for Reunion

A family reunion was held last week in the home of Mrs. I. N. Plumlee, with all her children together for the first time since Mr. Plumlee's death in 1948.

The family group included Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Webb of Floydada; Mrs. Bill Pharis of Fort Worth; Mrs. M. D. Braselton of El Paso; Mr. and Mrs. Willard Young and Larry, and Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Gilbert and children, Ronnie, Terry and Cherri, of Lubbock; Mrs. Jackie Jackson, and Mr. and Mrs. Dale Jackson and son, Rodney, of Amarillo; Mrs. Clifford Webb and daughter, Judy, of Norwalk, Calif.; Mrs. Gordon Wright and daughter, Mary Beth, of Levelland; Mrs. Ruth Benson, Miss Mildred Plumlee, Mr. and Mrs. Givens Lawrence and children, Kathy and Ricky, and Mrs. Bill Jameson and children, Vickie and Eddie, all of Matador.

Visitors in the afternoon, Sunday, were Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Lawrence.

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# WEEK-END SPECIALS

Mellorine *Swift's Honeycup*, 1/2 gallon 17c

Pineapple Juice *Libby's*, 46 oz. can . . . 34c

Crisco *3-pound can* . . . 79c

Bacon *Wright's country style*, 2 lb. pk. 79c

Biscuits *SUN SPUN*, per can, only . . . 8c

Tide *Giant size package* . . . 72c

Green Beans *Our Value*, cut, No. 303 can 12c

Tomatoes *Fresh California vine ripe*, lb. 12 1/2c

Pies *Pot, Birds Eye, chicken, beef or turkey*, 8 oz. 27c

Cocoanut *Griffin's Fancy Shred*, pound cello pk. 29c

Napkins *ZEE, fancy white*, 80 count package 12c

# SPOT CASH GROCERY

## Church and Society



MRS. DON BAXTER

### Nuptial Vows are Exchanged Recently By Miss Ray Davis and Mr. Don Baxter

First Baptist Church, Matador, was the setting for the exchange of marriage vows by Miss Ray Davis and Mr. Don Baxter at 7:00 p. m. Friday, August 7. Rev. Gene Hawkins, pastor of the church, officiated with a double ring service.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Davis of Matador. Parents of the bridegroom are Mr. and Mrs. Paul Baxter of Afton.

An arch decorated with greenery and blue carnations, with a floor basket of white gladioli and candelabra holding blue tapers on each side, formed the altar background for the ceremony. Blue ribbon bows on the pews marked the bridal aisle.

Mrs. Charles Cullin of McLean, organist, offered a prelude of wedding music and played the traditional wedding marches.

The Teen Tones, a sextette composed of Misses Dixie Barton, Judy Hobbs, Vella Ree Edwards, Vada Nichols, Cheri Barton and Melanie Brown, sang, "Whither Thou Goest," with Miss Sandra Stevens as accompanist at the piano. The benediction by Rev. Hawkins was followed by "The Lord's Prayer," sung by Miss Brown.

**Gown Is White Lace**

Given in marriage by her father, the bride was lovely in a waltz-length gown of white nylon lace taffeta. The fitted bodice

was fashioned with short sleeves and sabrina neckline accented with sequins and pearls. The full skirt featured a lace peplum at back which extended in ruffles to the hemline. Her finger-tip veil fell from a crown of seed pearls. She wore lace mitts and carried a white orchid on a lace-covered white Bible.

Miss Karen Webb, maid of honor, and Miss Peggy Welling, bridesmaid, wore identically styled dresses of Copenhagen blue nylon eyelet over taffeta. Small bands of satin entwined the waist and tied in front, above the full skirts. Accessories included white lace hats and gloves, and they carried nosegays of blue carnations.

For her daughter's wedding, Mrs. Davis chose a light blue dress with white accessories, and Mrs. Baxter, mother of the bridegroom, wore a black dress with matching accessories. Both wore white carnation corsages.

The Teen Tones were identical in light blue faille dresses, styled on princess lines, and wore white carnation corsages tied with blue streamers.

**Twins Light Candles**

Harry Campbell served as best man. Ushers were Robert and Clarence Davis, brothers of the bride, Tim Baxter, brother of the bridegroom, and Oscar Hughes of Afton.

Robby and Bobby Baxter, twin brothers of the bridegroom, lighted the candles.

Following the ceremony, a reception was held in the home of the bride's parents.

For a wedding trip to Medicine Lake near Lawton, Okla., the bride chose a green checked shirtwaist dress, with black patent accessories, and wore her orchid bridal corsage.

**Preside at Reception**

Mrs. Sut Braselton registered the guests attending the reception.

Presiding at the refreshments were Miss Kay Stanley, who poured punch, and Mrs. Billy Ray Webb and Mrs. Richard Hamilton, who served the three tiered wedding cake.

Others in the house party included Mrs. Billy Bishop of Lubbock, Mrs. Wilson Cook and Mrs. John Davis of Matador, aunts of the bride, and Mrs. Marvin Dixon of Whiteflat.

The bride's table featured her chosen colors, with a light blue cloth, covered with white net which was decorated with blue ribbon and sequins. The attendants' nosegays were used for a floral centerpiece, together with blue candles in crystal holders, with the baskets of white gladioli as a background for the setting.

**Live In Roaring Springs**

Mr. and Mrs. Baxter are at home in Roaring Springs, where he is employed at Braselton Implement Company. Mrs. Baxter will continue her employment with the General Telephone Company, and will commute to Matador.

The bride was graduated from Matador High School this spring. She served as editor of the school annual and participated in numerous athletic and scholastic activities, for which she received special recognition at graduation. Her husband is a graduate of Patton Springs High School.

Mr. and Mrs. Odis Killingsworth and children visited relatives in Wellington Friday and Saturday.

### PIED PINIONS By Mrs. M.

**ELECTRICITY** being off some 45 minutes on a recent Saturday night caused some local folks to get a late start on their vacations the next morning. They had the alarm on their electric clock set for 4 a. m. so they could leave around 5 o'clock. They didn't know of course about the current's being off, until daybreak caused them to check with wrist watches to verify the hour.

**VACATIONERS** are usually "spent" more ways than one... financially as well as physically, or otherwise, by the time they arrive home.

**CHILDRESS** woman of advanced years, visiting here recently with relatives, had an hour or so wait-over in Paducah and was rather put out because it took so long to travel the 60 miles from Childress to Matador. "I could have gone to New York by jet quicker than I got here by bus," she declared.

**DISPLAYED** at a recent exhibit in Lubbock was a brand-new spinet style player piano which I enjoyed immensely, though it was new evidence of the trend in recent years, to revive things old. As I stood and listened to the music which a pretty young thing was supervising, I remembered that the first popular song I ever heard was "Pretty Baby" on an old (new then) style upright player piano at a neighbor's house. Another tune was, "When You Wore a Tulip." The first rolls manufactured were punched only for the music. It was quite

an innovation when later, the words of the song were printed along side the music "slots" and they became "word rolls."

**RECENTLY** when a local not-so-old couple celebrated their anniversary it was mentioned that they went on their wedding trip in a coupe. The term was so new to some of the younger generation present, that one of them asked another, (in a low voice, so as not to hurt Aunt Ern's and Uncle Ben's feelings,) "... what is a coupe?"

**ALMOST** everyone is familiar with Browning's verse: "Grow old along with me... the best is yet to be... The last of life for which the first was made," but how many can recite the remainder of it. Our times are in His hands... Who saith, "A whole I planned; Trust God, see all, nor be afraid."

**Groves Reunion Held at Plains**

The home of Mr. and Mrs. I. C. Henson of Plains, was the scene last week end of a reunion of children of the late Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Groves, and their families, most of whom are former Matador residents.

Mrs. Velma Fulfer of Matador and her son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Elwyn Fulfer, Mike and Sherri of Lubbock joined the other relatives for the occasion. Others attending from Lubbock included Mr. and Mrs. Elbert Seigler, their son and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Seigler, and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Nolan and baby daughter, Paige.

Mrs. Nolan is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Howell, who, with their son Warren, were present from Amarillo. Others present were: Mrs. Arvel Kingery of Plainview and her children, Mr. and Mrs. Kyle King and family, John Arvel, Kenneth, Martha and Tom of Tularosa, N. M.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Groves of Hale Center, Mr. and Mrs. Claude Wilson and Mary of Sweetwater, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Groves, and daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Tucker and son, Mr. Arlington.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Groves and children, Kay, Jimmy, Johnny, of El Paso, Mrs. Mekeal and baby son, LeRoy of Denver Colo.; and Mrs. Groe Schmitz and children, Randy and Monica Lynn Seagraves.

**Shower Honors Recent Bride**

A bridal shower was held last night, August 12, in the home of Dr. and Mrs. J. S. Statton, a courtesy for Mrs. Don Baxter, the former Ray Davis.

Hostess duties were shared by Misses Kay Stanley, Peggy King, and Karen Webb, and Misses Sut Braselton, Ed Hamilton, and Bill Webb.

Mrs. Braselton registered the guests, who called from 7:00 to 9:00 o'clock.

The refreshment table featured the recent bride's colors of blue and white. The table was laid with a white tablecloth with blue and white crystal holders flanking the centerpiece of tinted blue glass, ingersale punch with raisins, nuts, and mints.

W. W. Raitan of Fort Worth and relatives, remained the day to attend Old Settlers union at Roaring Springs.

We Extend our Best Wishes  
to the  
**OLD SETTLERS**



Above photograph was made at a time when three brick buildings were under construction at one time, following a fire which had destroyed most of the block of frame structures. Picture was made from a point almost in front of the present First State Bank building, looking toward the Barkley building.

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**RILEY RIGSBY, center, won third place in the Old Fiddler's contest held Friday afternoon July 17 in Tulia. The contest was held on the courthouse square as a part of the celebration of Matley county's 69th birthday. Shown with him at right is Bill Buchanan of Roaring Springs, second place winner, and at left, Rigby's son, Sherril. Ed Sweatt of Amarillo won first place in the Old Fiddler's contest.**

### Daughter Recalls Early-Day Hardships Of Pioneers Who Came from Hill County

As told to Miss Verlin Reeves by Mrs. Minnie Hines

Indians, prairie fires, privation — these were among the hardships suffered by the early pioneers as they moved westward to homestead and develop the land. The I. E. Martin family was no exception.

I. E. (Van) Martin came west in 1890 looking for a home. He and a grassy prairie, which is now the Flomot community, and he had a claim, then returned to his home in Hill County.

He stayed there until the spring of 1891, when he loaded up his possessions, along with his wife, three children, Avay, and Minnie, and his mother, Mrs. Harriett Martin, into covered wagons and again headed west to his claim. He had few cattle and horses, which he drove overland, with them.

They reached the claim June 16, 1891. They camped in the wagons until Mr. Martin could cut cedar posts enough to build a dugout. As soon as he had his family located, he went to work for the F. Ranch, to support them. Mrs. Martin cared for the stock and the home during her husband's absence, and assumed the hardships of a pioneer wife.

**Cowboys and Indians**

On one occasion the women saw a trail of dust in the west, made by a band of Indians. They surrounded the dugout, riding around and around, whooping and yelling. The F. Ranch hands had seen the Indians coming, and reached the dugout in time to save the women and children. Upon seeing the cowboys, the Indians raced off to the west and never returned.

Some time later a great prairie fire swept down from the plains,

burning everything in its path. It was a terrible thing to witness.

The men plowed fire guards around their homes to save their families. They even killed cattle, cutting them open and dragging them by ropes tied to their saddle horns in an effort to stop the fire.

Mrs. Martin and her two oldest children took the wagon team and water barrels and dipped water out of the tank which Mr. Martin had built for his stock, hauling it to the fire fighters. The fire finally burned itself out at the fork of Pease and Quitaque rivers.

**No Clothes Lines**

In those days clothes lines were unknown. The women used mesquite bushes and trees to hang their clothes on, to dry.

Late one evening while gathering in the clothes, Mrs. Martin looked around to see a large panther between her and the dugout. She screamed and shook clothes at it, but the animal refused to run, so she worked

her way around the panther and ran to the dugout, closing the door. She didn't get out any more that evening.

Although being away from home most of the time, Mr. Martin managed to get in and break up some land to plant feed and a garden, which Mrs. Martin tended. She and the two oldest children hoed and worked the land and in the fall they cut and shocked the feed and gathered in the corn and pumpkins for winter.

While Mrs. Martin did the milking and other outside work, Grandma Martin took care of the younger children.

**Attend Quitaque School**

The older Martin children attended school at what was then called the Quitaque School. They walked three miles and carried their lunch in tin pails. Their first teacher was a Mrs. Pierce.

The Martins then bought land north of the Pease River and lived there quite a while in a dugout. Later they moved to the south side of the river where he established his Flying O Ranch, which was their home for several years.

Later, the Martins moved to northwest Matador for school purposes. After living several places, he built the two-story house a few blocks north of the jail, one of the nicest homes here at that time. He then acquired the Dutchman Ranch, being a thrifty man he invested in land and cattle until at one time he was the largest land owner in the county with the exception of the Matadors.

"Never let a dollar go to your head," was the advice Mr. Martin gave his children. He observed this motto himself.

After her husband's death in 1920, Mrs. Martin carried on alone until her own death in 1947.

**"Official" At Births**

Mr. Martin's mother, Mrs. Harriett Martin, better known as "Grandma Martin," had two other sons besides I. E. who were also pioneers of this coun-

ty, being Wood and Wade Martin, both deceased.

"Grandma" helped, not only her own family, but others in the sparsely settled area. Since there was no doctor here until 1896, she brought many babies into this world and was kept busy going from one homesteader to another, wherever needed. She was a native Texan and died here in 1904 at the age of 74.

The I. E. Martin children are: Avay, Mrs. George Blackshear; Minnie, (Mrs. J. H. Hines); Onie, (Mrs. Doc Burleson) and Katie, (Mrs. James) all of Matador; Josie, (Mrs. John Barton) of White Star; Curt, of Dutchman Ranch; Bob, of Whiteflat; and Ned, of Hobbs, N. M. Three sons, Claud, Dub and Dock are deceased.

### Roaring Springs Residents Receive Degrees from Tech

Two Roaring Springs men Saturday received degrees from Texas Technological College, Lubbock.

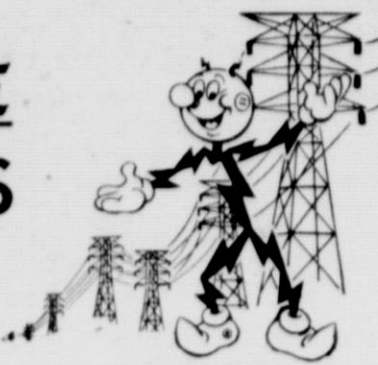
They are, Billy Louis Peacock, high school v.o.g. teacher, who received his Master of Education in Agricultural Education, and Henry Louis Hodgkin, who received his Bachelor of Science in Agriculture.

A total of 103 Tech students received graduate degrees in commencement exercises Saturday. Included were 10 doctorates. In all, more than 500 degrees were awarded at the ceremonies, ending Tech's summer session.

Misses Viola Stinson and Dude Barton spent from Thursday through the week end at Raton, New Mexico.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Pierce of Lubbock visited here and at Roaring Springs, Friday evening, and were accompanied by her mother, Mrs. R. E. Donovan, on a trip to Bridgeport and Dallas. The Pierces will continue from there on a vacation visit with his relatives in East Texas.

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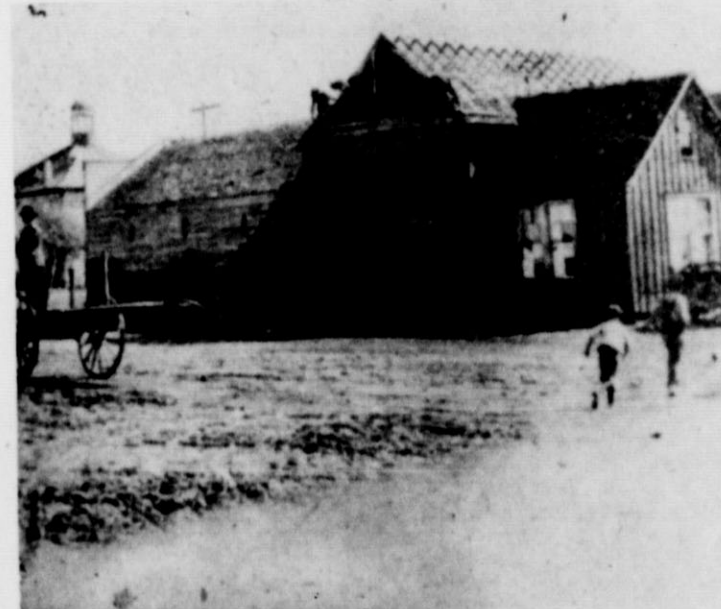
### Congratulations...

TO THE OLD SETTLERS on the event of your 36th annual reunion at Roaring Springs. We share with others the sincere expressions of gratitude for your many sacrifices in providing us the heritage of this bountiful and pleasant country! We hope to deserve your continued friendships and to serve your needs in the future.



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## BEST WISHES to our friends The Old Settlers



The above picture was made at the time the Luckett Building was being torn down in preparation to build the brick building that is now the location of Bob Stanley Pharmacy. The building was constructed by pioneer merchant, the late Jack Luckett, and is now the property of the Jackson estate.



## Bob Stanley Pharmacy

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### Roaring Springs NEWS

Mrs. L. E. Cooper  
Correspondent  
Phone 981, Roaring Springs

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Shirley and daughter, Jo Lynn, of Odessa visited here from Wednesday through Sunday with his mother, Mrs. John Shirley.

Mr. and Mrs. Val Robertson and son, Steve, of Lubbock were week end guests of her sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Davis.

Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Amel Long were his brother and family, Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Long and Gary, of Petersburg.

Mrs. John L. Meason visited in Dimmitt several days, including the week end, with her sister.

Miss Gladys Peck visited in Levelland, Wednesday and Thursday with Rev. and Mrs. S. W. Badgett and other relatives.

Recent guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Nichols were her sisters, Mrs. Virginia Jackson and Mrs. Fred Haie and Mr. Haie, of Amarillo.

Mrs. Hazel Bridges arrived home Tuesday from Honolulu, Hawaii, where she spent the summer with her son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Mike Dodson.

Mr. and Mrs. Lem Miller visited in Abilene Wednesday, with their daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Karnsdorf and Paul.

S. N. Davis, who has been in Germany on tour of duty for two years, arrived home Friday. Other guests of Mr. and Mrs. Davis were another son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Delmer Davis and their daughter, Mrs. Thomas Glen and daughter, Lesia, of Dallas.

Mrs. Ollie Crump of Lubbock, visited here Wednesday and Thursday with her sister, Mrs. Wesley Burt.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Goss of Lubbock, were week end guests of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. A. Goss.

Jerry Green, who has been with the Forestry Service in the northwestern states during the summer, is here visiting with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Mervin Green.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Palmer and Mr. and Mrs. O. B. Scott of Lubbock were here Saturday, visiting with friends and relatives.

Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Newton Fletcher were, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Fletcher and Janice, and Mr. and Mrs. Claud Fletcher, Danny and Kay, all of Lubbock, Mr. and Mrs. Delmer Davis and Mrs. Thomas Glen and daughter, Lesia of Dallas, and Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Harmon and sons, Robin and Rex, and Mr. and Mrs. Johnny King of Quitaque.

Joe Gipson of Pecos, spent the week end here in his home.

Mrs. J. A. Brawley and Archie visited in Lamesa with relatives recently.

Mike Peacock visited last week in De Leon with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Henderson.

Susie and Johnny Osborn of Dimmitt, are here visiting with their grandmother, Mrs. Hazel Bridges.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray McCollum, of Plano returned home Friday after a visit here with Mr. and Mrs. Tom Swim and other relatives.

Recent guests of Mrs. J. A. Brawley and Archie, were Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Kingery and Mrs. Donna Kennedy of Odessa.

Wesley Burt of Quanah, spent the week end here in his home.

Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Rape, of Calif., are here visiting with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bascom Rape.

Among those who attended the Ragland family reunion in Altus, Okla., Aug. 20-21, were Mr. and Mrs. Forest Ragland, Mr. and Mrs. Harley Ragland, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ragland, Ronnie and Sharon, and Mr. and Mrs. Jack Frazier and children.

Miss Carol Wilhite returned to her home in Lubbock, Monday, after spending the summer with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Rigby.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Payne are visiting in Oklahoma City with relatives.

Mrs. Polk Cooper and Mrs. Fred E. Brandon and children, Janice, Danny and Ann, are visiting in Laredo with their son and brother, Capt. and Mrs. Clyde Smith.

Gene Cloud, of Tampa, Fla., came recently to accompany his wife and son, Chris, home after a visit here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Lewis. Mr. and Mrs. Lewis returned home Tuesday from a visit with their daughter and family, in Tampa.

Week-end guests of Mrs. Iva Wilson and daughters, were Junior Wilson and son, Bobby and Mrs. Dorothy Conhasner and

Calif., Mrs. R. J. Murray of Arlington, Texas and Mr. and Mrs. Harold Crites of Brownfield.

Miss Freda Keahy spent the week end in Wichita Falls, with her sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. Cal Monteith.

Escus Jackson of Quanaah, and S. L. Jackson of Muleshoe, visited Saturday with their father, Homer Jackson and Mrs. Jackson, and with friends.

Cleve Sanders of Culver City, Calif., is here looking after business and visiting with his daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Marion Bailey.

Luther Drennon of Lakin, Kansas, is here visiting with his sister, Mrs. Frank Ragland and Mr. Ragland. He will also visit in Spur with his mother, Mrs. R. A. Drennon. Other guests of the Raglands were their daughter, Mrs. Gerald Smallwood and baby, of Hobbs, N. M.

Mr. and Mrs. Doc Pate and son, Claud, of Brownfield visited here Thursday, with friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy McCleskey with their sons, Nathan and Elgie, and Jim Davis returned Saturday from a visit in Mena, Wicks, and Grannis, Ark., with Messdames Bula Howard and Ruby McCleskey, and G. W. Sanders.

Rev. and Mrs. E. O. McElyea, of Spur conducted the morning and evening services Sunday at the Assembly of God Church, in the absence of the pastor, Mrs. Ben Dillard.

Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Mitchell and son, Danny, of Lubbock were week end guests of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Mitchell.

Mrs. Marvin Freudenrich is visiting in Oklahoma with relatives.

Mrs. Hubert Gunter came Friday to accompany her son, Ricky, home after a visit here with his grandparents, the Joe Durans.

Mr. and Mrs. Emmitt Marshall of Plainview, visited here during the week end with Mr. and Mrs. George Vandell and Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Watson.

Harley Alsop, of Alameda, Calif., is here on leave, visiting with Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Mullins and other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Noel White of Post, are announcing the birth of a son at West Texas Hospital, Lubbock, Sunday evening. Mr. and Mrs. Duff Green of Roaring Springs are maternal great-grandparents of the baby.

Week-end guests of Mrs. C. D. Wilson and daughters, were Junior Wilson and son, Bobby and Mrs. Dorothy Conhasner and

son, Wayne, of Amarillo. Their Sunday guests were Mr. and Mrs. P. I. Roberts and Janis, of Floydada, and Mr. and Mrs. Buddy Dixon and daughter, Lou Anna, of Plainview.

Mr. and Mrs. Forest Ogle of Fort Worth, are visiting with his aunt and family, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Forbis in the Afton community.

Mrs. W. A. Lewis returned Friday from Gadsden, Ala., where she has been visiting with her daughter and family, Dr. and Mrs. Charles Jordan.

She has been away all summer, and visited with friends and relatives in Greenwood, Fla., also in Austin, Abilene, Lubbock and Amarillo.

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Swim Jr., and Sammy are in Bovina, visiting with her mother, Mrs. Tom Hastings and other relatives.

Recent guests of Mr. and Mrs. Francis Gunter included her sister, Mrs. W. L. Huff and daughter, Donna, of Seymour and a friend, M. S. Disher, of Tulsa, Okla.

James and Cindy Swim of Fort Worth, are here visiting with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Swim.

Mrs. Clyde Williams and son, Billy and Mrs. Buzz Thacker and sons, Johnny and Jeff visited and looked after business in Lubbock, Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Micky McMeans, of Gail, visited here Sunday with friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Walker of Ft. Worth visited here Saturday with Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Williams.

David Hughs of Galveston, and Dale Robertson of Houston, are here visiting with their grandfather, Guy Thacker and Mrs. Thacker.

Mrs. W. H. Beard was called to Birmingham, Ala., Saturday by the death of her mother.

Mike Hobbs of Graham, is here visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy McCleskey and other relatives.

**SHOWER GIVEN FOR MRS. JIM SPANN**

Mrs. Charles Long, assisted by Messdames Hollis Godfrey, J. D. Mitchell, Lem Miller, John A. Scott and Curtis Murphy, honored Mrs. Jim Spann (nee Bonnie Craft) with a bridal shower Saturday, in the Long home.

The honoree received many useful and beautiful gifts. Refreshments of cookies and punch were served to twelve guests. Many sent gifts, who were unable to attend.

**IN APPRECIATION**

I wish to thank my friends for the cards, flowers and visits while I was a patient in Stanley Hospital, Matador. The words of encouragement were a great help to me.

Jack Davis

**CARD OF THANKS**

We want to thank all of our friends who were so kind and thoughtful of us in our sorrow. The cards, flowers, and food were appreciated very much. It is wonderful to live among such understanding people. We will always remember each of you with love and respect.

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Sedgwick and Lenita

The J. R. Sedgwick Family and the E. L. Mitchell Family

**SWIM FAMILY REUNION IS HELD AT VERNON**

The family of the late Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Swim held their annual reunion at the Allingham Park in Vernon, Sunday, Aug. 23, with Will Swim presiding. A basket lunch was served at noon,

and the afternoon was spent in visiting.

A short business meeting was held, with the following officers elected: Mrs. Nannie Alderson, president; Leslie Swim, vice-president; and Miss Lula Swim, secretary-treasurer. The group voted to meet in Plano next year.

Attending the reunion from Roaring Springs were Mr. and Mrs. Tom Swim, Rogene Swim and Miss Lula Swim, and from Fort Worth were Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Swim, James and Cindy.

Other relatives were from Chillicothe, Iowa Park, Plano, Dallas, Farmers Branch, Dimmitt, Vernon, Amarillo, Grand Prairie, Lockett and Elliott, Texas; Stuttgart, Ark.; Denver, Colo.; and Sepulveda, Calif.

**Reunion is Held by Alfred Dye Family**

The Alfred Dye family of Teepee Flat community near Roaring Springs, met in a family reunion recently for the first time since 1951.

Mr. and Mrs. Norton Dye and children, Winona, Myrthalene and Carl, of Red Bluff, Calif., where Mr. Dye is Minister of

the Church of Christ, arrived Aug. 9th and visited until the 17th. During their visit, many relatives and friends called.

Duane Dye, of Cheta, Tex., who visited included Miss Lela, of Kansas; Miss Lola Norton, Columbia Christian School, Portland, Oregon; Mr. and Mrs. Orman, Floydada; Mr. and Mrs. Foy Moore, Myrna and Sherry, his sister, Mrs. Donna Kinnard, of Odessa; Mr. and Mrs. Elmo Kingery and Mrs. Elmo Kingery, of Matador; and Mr. and Mrs. bin Morgan, Roaring Springs.

The Norton Dye family visited in Plainview with her mother and family, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Rushing, where her mother, Mrs. Nell Bannister was visiting.

Wayland Moore and Howard Gwinn were classmates of Norton Dye, but the latter never seeing Gwinn, he having called the day they were in Plainview.

Lloyd Marshall of Los Angeles, Calif., is visiting here with his brother Mack Marshall, and other relatives.



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- Mellorine FOREMOST, half-gallon 25c
- Dog Food CHAMP, 2 cans for 25c
- Coffee WHITE SWAN, pound 67c
- English Peas Del Monte, No. 303 can 19c
- Lard Flavorite, 3 pounds for 49c
- Pork & Beans Heinz, No. 303 can 15c
- Flour Light Crust 5 pounds 49c
- Canned Drinks All flavors, 3 for 25c
- Tissue KIM, 3 rolls 25c

## DEAN'S FOOD

Roaring Springs

## MEATS

- Grade "A" pound FRYERS 39c
- Fresh 2 pounds for FRANKS 79c
- Ballard's cans BISCUITS, 10 for 99c
- Frozen Foods
- Frozen 5 pks. for STRAWBERRIES 99c
- Birds Eye 10 oz. pk. CORN cream style 19c
- Cut packages GREEN BEANS 19c
- Vegetables
- Cello packages CARROTS 2 for 25c
- ONIONS 6c
- Crisp packages LETTUCE 10c

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## Travelers Return from Vacations Spent on Tours to Europe, Alaska, Other Points

Residents of Matador and adjacent communities are back to the "home" despite the busy soil, travel-weary and tired, on tours and visits. Sue Glenn arrived Saturday from her European tour of several countries, ahead of her original schedule, having canceled a 7-day tour of New England states which she had planned to take.

### Items of Interest Shipped Last Week

Items of local and area interest were omitted in last week's issue of the Tribune because of lack of space. Packages are extended all over the world or brought in from other countries. Items which were not used in the county consumed a large amount of space, which the Tribune felt was justified in view of the large number of subscribers who are former residents of the county and area. Packages and items delayed last week will be found on this page.

### L. Fair Family Busy Summer

The L. Fair family is about to get down to normal after a busy and scattered summer. The Fair family arrived home Friday after spending the past months in Omaha, Neb., where he was employed. En route home he visited relatives in Wichita, Kansas.

Thursday, Joe Fair was home for the day, but missed his family. He has been away during the summer in the Tri-state Panhandle area, Texas, Oklahoma, and New Mexico, for the Northrup-King Co., of Minneapolis, Minn. Fair and daughter, Ida, accompanied by Sandra returned last Friday from a visit to Scranton, Ark., where they visited Mrs. Fair's father, Bennett, and a sister and son, Mr. and Mrs. Lowell, and with a brother and son, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Benjamin Sallisaw, Okla. The trip included visits with Mr. Fair's father, Rev. L. W. Fair of Springs, and other relatives. They stopped over in Childress, Tex., to attend a picnic given by the Greenbelt football team, their parents, and other guests, Lewis Fair being the "West" team. His guest on the occasion was Miss Daphne Lynn, who with the other players, participated in a candidate for Greenbelt team.

Fairs returned to Childress Saturday to attend the picnic along with other local

her daughter and family. Mr and Mrs. Claud Morrison. She was accompanied by Mrs. C. W. Norrid, who visited her daughters, Mrs. David Cook and Mrs. Faires Wade and their families, and also going with them were Mrs. Norma Jean Patrick and sons, Shawn and Jeff, of Plainview.

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### J. C. GREEN CHILDREN ARE RECENT VISITORS

Sunday visitors in the J. C. Green home were their children: Mr. and Mrs. Phil Green of Borger, who came for their daughter, Carita who had spent the week with her grandparents; Mr. and Mrs. Richard Green of Plainview; Mr. and Mrs. Art Green and children and Mr. and Mrs. Luther Green and children all of Flomot; Mr. and Mrs. Jack Green and sons, Mr. and Mrs. Ted Green and children, Mr. and Mrs. Pete Williams and children and Mr. and Mrs. Pat Green, all of Matador.

A daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Pritchett and children of Lovington, N. M. spent the previous week end here with her parents.

Mrs. Marvin Brotherton had as her guest Friday, a niece, Mrs. Jay W. Ireland of Wichita Falls, and visitors this week include her sister, Mrs. Mary Cabe of Electra and her son and family, Dr. and Mrs. Carl Cabe and children, Alice and John, of Lexington, Ky.

Miss Frances Traweek visited at Brownfield Sunday and overnight, as guest of Mr. and Mrs. Dick Hamm. She and Mrs. Hamm, the former Marlene Bailey were classmates while attending Matador schools.

County Attorney Howard Traweek returned Friday from his vacation trip to the West Coast, where he visited friends at Manhattan Beach, Los Angeles, La Jolla and San Diego, Calif.; and Mrs. Hazel Bridges has arrived home in Roaring Springs after spending most of the summer in Hawaii with a son and family.

Arriving in Matador Friday ahead of the Bloodworths, was Mrs. Lee Burns of Midland, who had been visiting in Klukwan, Alaska with Mr. and Mrs. R. W. White and family, all former Matador residents.

By a coincidence the Bloodworths were in the vicinity of Klukwan when they learned that the Whites were located there, and drove over from Haines, for a short visit at the same time Mrs. Burns was there. An exciting time was reported by all parties, although neither the Bloodworths nor Mrs. Burns would admit that they had any desire to make the 49th state a permanent residence.

Mrs. Burns' trip was by plane and she left Juneau on Tuesday, arriving in Amarillo Wednesday. From there she traveled by bus to Plainview where she spent Thursday visiting Mr. and Mrs. Fred Clower. Her son, Clinton Lee, came here Saturday morning and accompanied her back to Amarillo to attend a family reunion held in Palo Duro Canyon on Sunday. She was the house guest of Mr. and Mrs. Turner Campbell while here.

### SUFFERS SUN STROKE

Jim Meece of Odessa, formerly of Matador was hospitalized there recently after suffering a sun stroke. He is employed by the State Highway Department and has resumed his duties. Mrs. Meece's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis McDonough visited them during the past week end.

Visiting here last week with Wendell Tucker, was Preston Leggett of Shallowater.

# As One Pioneer To Other Pioneers... Our Best Wishes to the Old Settlers



FIRST BANK IN MATADOR, above, was opened on April 8, 1901, by John H. P. Jones, as a private institution, and later by Will P. Jones. It was chartered as the First State Bank on March 14, 1907.

## A Tribute To Courage...

AS ONE of West Texas' pioneer institutions, we offer our tribute to the Old Settlers on the event of their 36th reunion. We are aware that the old settlers have kept the faith of this land, to make possible the vast progress that has been our heritage. It was their courage that drove their wagons to the new, unknown country. They brought their families and their possessions to establish the homesteads and ranches of our pioneer families. We are grateful for their faith and courage, and to each of them, living and deceased, we tender our gratitude. We are proud to have had a part in the development of the land which has justified the Old Settlers' faith; the land which has fulfilled their vision.

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### Faculty . . .

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have charge of the high school mathematics department and is assistant coach.

Other faculty members will be Mesdames Vance Gilbreath, W. H. Marshall, Gene Pepper, John Hamilton, Chas. Keith, D. H. McGinley, D. L. Damron, J. E. Edwards, L. D. Wilkerson and A. L. Fair, and Messrs A. L. Fair, J. E. Edwards, Wayland Moore, N. L. (Bill) Moss and Charles Johnson.

Mrs. Randall Whitworth will teach speech, and Mesdames G. E. Hamilton, John Stevens and John Fish will teach piano and voice.

Lunchroom personnel will include Mesdames Henry Thompson, W. B. Wason, H. Blevins and Jim Dobbins, D. H. McGinley and John Austin will have charge of buildings and grounds, and school bus personnel will include J. H. Renfro, J. W. Cook, Henry Thompson, Frank Jameson and Mrs. Pearl Simpson.

As announced last week, registration of students will begin Friday, Aug. 28, for high school students starting at 9 a. m.

Supt. Ezzell also announces that three copies of "The Early History of Motley County," by local resident Harry H. Campbell, have been purchased for the school library.

#### TWO CHILDREN SWALLOW OVERDOSE OF ASPIRIN

Mrs. C. E. Marshall of Roaring Springs, was called to Beuna Park, Calif., Monday, to the bedside of two grandchildren, who had eaten 100 aspirin tablets. They are the oldest children of Mr. and Mrs. George Buchanan, Eldon, 3 and Margie, 2. An attending physician expressed the opinion late Monday that the children would recover.

Mrs. Marshall was accompanied on the trip by her son and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Gene Marshall, and Mrs. L. J. Marshall and son, Jackie.

#### IN QUANAH HOSPITAL

Mrs. Howard Edmondson has been a patient in Quannah Hospital the past week.

### ROARING SPRINGS SHY TWO TEACHERS

School will start on schedule in Roaring Springs Monday morning (Aug. 31) but the faculty will be short two members, it was announced early this week by Supt. Vernon H. Baker. Friends and patrons of the school are invited to attend the opening assembly in the gym, at 9:00 o'clock.

Buses will run Monday, and lunches will be served at noon, Supt. Baker further announced.

An important event has been scheduled for the opening ceremony. Mrs. Emma Miller who has taught in the Roaring Springs schools for many years, is being especially honored. She will be presented the Freedom Foundation of America citizenship award for meritorious service in the teaching of citizenship.

Many of Mrs. Miller's friends and former students are expected to attend the ceremony.

Resignation of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Tate has left two vacancies in the faculty, Supt. Baker said. The positions of homemaking and coaching are vacant.

The Stripling colored school opened Aug. 3, Supt. Baker said, under the direction of Principal Calvin Stripling. The school term has been arranged to close for a period during the cotton harvest season.

#### RESIDENTS RETURN HOME FROM PHARR

Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Smallwood have returned to their home here after spending the summer at Pharr, Texas, where he was engaged in gin employment.

While en route home last Wednesday they experienced car trouble, and while at Alice obtaining repairs, they learned of the critical illness of their grand son, Terry Wayne Smallwood, in Northwest Texas Hospital, Amarillo. The message had been relayed by their daughter residing at Pharr, to highway patrolmen, who located the Smallwoods to deliver the message.

### Smailwood Child Dies in Amarillo

Terry Wayne, 6, son of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Smallwood of Liberal, Kansas, died Friday about 4:30 p. m. in Northwest Texas Hospital, Amarillo, after a three-day illness.

The child became ill during the night last Tuesday, and by morning his condition was declared serious by the family doctor, who advised the move to the Amarillo Hospital. Cause of the death had not been determined, when local residents returned here from attending the funeral.

Funeral services were held Sunday at 3 p. m. at the First Baptist Church in Liberal.

Besides the parents, the child is survived by one sister, Judy, 11, and the grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Heim of Newlin, and Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Smallwood of Matador.

He was born at Liberal, October 8, 1952 and died August 21, 1959, at the age of 6 years, 9 months and 13 days.

#### Attend Funeral

Attending the funeral from Matador were Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Smallwood and daughter, Mrs. Marion Norris, Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Lee and his sister, Miss Mallie Lee, who was visiting here from Perryton; Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Smallwood, and their daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Robinson and children, Darlene, Ray and Lee, of Pharr, who returned here for a few days before returning home.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Smallwood and children, Kathy and John, of Madison, Wisconsin, are also visiting his parents here this week after attending the funeral for his small nephew.

#### RETURNS FROM RECENT TOUR OF EAST COAST

Mrs. Grace McDowell returned to Canyon Tuesday of last week from a month's tour sponsored by West Texas State College, made by chartered bus. The trip took them through Washington, New York, Boston and into Canada.

Mrs. T. E. Cammack met her daughter in Canyon, then went to Amarillo, where she visited her sister, Mrs. R. L. Patton until Friday, when she was accompanied home by Mrs. McDowell for a week end visit. Mrs. McDowell left Monday morning to go to Plainview, where she has accepted a teaching position.

#### RESIDENT'S PARENTS INJURED IN ACCIDENT

Bill Moss and his son, Glen returned home Monday from a trip to Neosho, Mo., to the hospital bedside of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Moss who had been injured Friday in a 2-car collision. Mr. Moss has been dismissed from the hospital, but his wife is still hospitalized. Both are doing satisfactorily.

#### VISITORS AT RANCH

Business visitors last week at Matador Ranch headquarters included Mr. and Mrs. S. V. Varner and children, Richard and Jane, of Wichita, Kansas; Pete Hudgins and Frank Jones of Sherman, Russell Senter of San Antonio, and Fred Hill, of Amarillo.

#### HENDERSON HOME SCENE OF MEETING

Burleson Circle of the First Baptist W. M. U. met Tuesday of last week in the home of Mrs. F. B. Henderson to continue a study, "The Holy Spirit in Missions," being taught by T. E. Long.

Present were, Mesdames Long, A. A. Tipton, T. L. Rippeot, R. E. Campbell Sr., Leonora Luckett, Ben Keltz, Joe Campbell, and D. P. Keith, and Miss Amy Glenn, and a visitor, Mrs. J. B. Garrett.

Refreshments were served by the hostess, at the conclusion of the lesson.

Visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Forrest Campbell, from Wednesday through Sunday, was her cousin, Mrs. P. S. Kendricks of Abilene.

Mrs. Richard Turner accompanied her sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. Waldo Duke and daughter, Diane, to Dallas, Friday, where they attended to business and visited relatives, returning home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Campbell had as their guest from Monday evening until Wednesday morning, her niece, Mrs. Merle Rogers of Jal, N. M.

### School to Start Monday at Flomot

Flomot Public School will begin the new term Monday morning, Aug. 31, with buses running on regular schedule, it was announced this week by Supt. M. J. Schofield.

Lunch will be served in the school lunch room by Mrs. Lola Turner and Mrs. Alma Welch.

Faculty members for the term include, Mrs. M. J. Schofield, high school English; Coach Roy Grundy, high school math; Hobson Burris, high school principal and science teacher; W. Z. Martin, elementary principal and high school typing; Mrs. Pearl Moseley, 5th and 6th grades; Mrs. Hobson Burris, 3rd and 4th grades; Mrs. G. D. Pope, 1st and 2nd grades; Mrs. L. D. Wilkerson, public school music.

In addition to his duties as superintendent, Mr. Schofield also teaches industrial arts and math.

Serving as bus drivers will be, Wendell Morris, R. F. Kell, Guy Hammons, and E. L. Willard, who is also school custodian and janitor.

Jim Ratcliff returned home Tuesday from Plainview, where he had been a patient in the hospital since Saturday.

Mrs. H. M. Wagley is visiting in Moran with her daughter, Mrs. Oma Wagley whom she accompanied home last week, when the latter visited here.

Frank Traweck arrived last week from Austin, where he attended summer school at the University, and is spending the remainder of the summer at his home here with his parents, Dr. and Mrs. A. C. Traweck Jr.

Mr. and Mrs. Melvin McAdams of Muleshoe, visited here from Wednesday until Monday with her sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Russell. During the week end, the women visited in Vernon with another sister and husband, Mr. and Sam Wilkinson, while their husbands spent the time fishing near Crowell.

Mr. and Mrs. Hub Swearingen visited during the week end and through Tuesday with their son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Swearingen of Canyon, and with relatives in Amarillo.

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Hacker joined Mr. and Mrs. Boone Stinson of Northfield, in Ruidoso, N. M. for several days vacation last week. The Hacker's young son, Richard Lee, is visiting his grandparents near Wichita Falls.

Mr. and Mrs. Tokie Doty and daughters, Martha and Deana Sue of Sudan were recent visitors with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Birchfield. Martha has been attending summer school at West Texas State, Canyon, and accompanied her family from there.

#### VISIT PARENTS

Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Brogdon and daughter, Karan Sue, of San Manuel, Arizona, arrived last week for a visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Lancaster. Their son, Randy, who has been visiting his grandparents, will accompany them on their return home. Week-end visitors in the Lancaster home were their son and his daughter, Clyde Lancaster and Rene, of Hobbs, N. M.

#### REVIVAL IN PROGRESS AT BAPTIST CHURCH

A revival meeting is in progress this week at the Flomot First Baptist Church, with Rev. T. D. Whitehorn of Booker, doing the preaching and C. E. (Bud) Lovell of Plainview, leading the singing. Services began Sunday morning and will continue through Aug. 30.

#### In the Want Ads

HOUSE FOR SALE: 3-bedrooms, just remodeled, 120x140 lot, formerly Billy Tate home, near school in Roaring Springs. See J. D. Mitchell. 25/ctfn

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WANTED: Day companion 5 1/2 days in week. Mrs. M. L. Patton. 25/ctfn

LOST: Chihuahua puppy; white with black spots. Chain collar with 1959 rabies tag. Reward, Mrs. Glenn Woodruff. 25/ctfn

HOUSE FOR SALE: Call 100 or 122. 25/ctfn

FOR SALE: Miscellaneous household furnishings including 1 bedroom suite, 2 chests of drawers, divan and several chairs, Frigidaire refrigerator and gas range, also about 200 jars canned vegetables and fruit. C. T. Heller, in northwest Matador. 25/pt

FOR SALE: My house and lot in Roaring Springs. Homer Jackson. 25/ctfn

FOR SALE: Good used football shoes, size 9, \$4.50. Inquire at Matador Implement. 25/ctfn

12-MONTH BATTERY \$8.95, exchange. Peg's Garage. 29/ctfn

FOR SALE: 10-ft grain drill with steel box; own rubber, also fertilizer attachment with steel box. J. M. Carpenter, Roaring Springs. 24/p2t

FOR RENT: 5-room house, partly furnished. A. L. Curry. 25/ctfn

NEW SHIPMENT of regular \$69.50 portable Singer sewing machines special at \$48.88 while they last! Thacker Supply Co., Roaring Springs. 24/ctfn

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FOR SALE: 5-room house with bath; corner Bundy and Hackberry in northwest Matador. 16 lots. Mrs. Bessie Patton, Phone 204W. 20/ctfn

FOR SALE: Hammond Spinnet organ in perfect condition, \$1175.00 cash or terms. Mike Groves, phone 270. 22/ctfn

HAVE SEVERAL thoroughly reconditioned and fully guaranteed pianos for sale, \$135. and up. Will give six free piano lessons with the purchase of any piano during months of July or August. Will also buy used pianos. John E. Berry, Piano Technician, 4307 46th Street, Lubbock; Phone SW 9-6852, Lubbock, or CR 2-3116, Spur. 20/ctfn

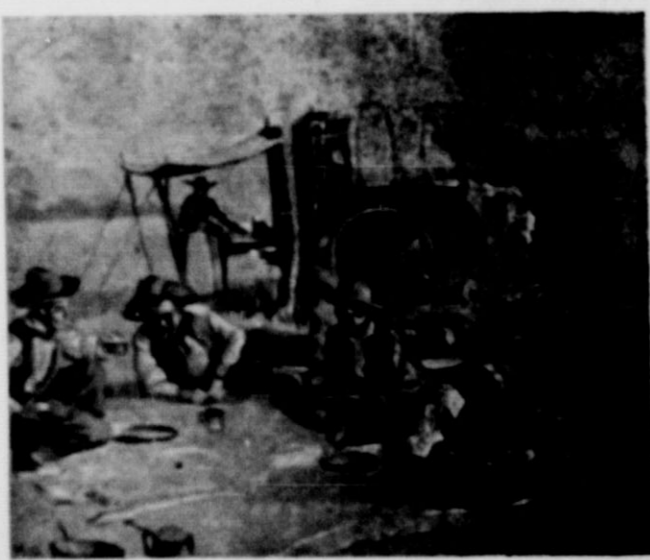
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MATTRESSES: Modern renovating. New Mattresses and box springs. For free pick up and delivery call Matador Hotel Phone No. 5, or write American Mattress Co., 1715 Avenue H. Lubbock, Texas. 3/ctfn

FOR SALE: New 1959 Oldsmobiles; priced \$3,250 up. Call Horace Hyatt, Spur, day CR 2-3553; Night CR 2-3739. 15/ctfn

## A Tribute to the Old Settlers



*We are ever grateful for the many sacrifices and for the faith of the Old Settlers of this area. Your confidence in the land has been justified and we are appreciative of the heritage you have left to us.*

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# OUR BEST WISHES

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OLU BUTCHMAN SCHOOL near present town of Roaring Springs, in 1895. This was not the first school in the county but was among the first. Shown from left to right, front row, Henry Morrison (teacher) Ben Clifton, Nora Clifton, Cora Edwards, Mary Chalk, Lizzie Clifton and Bessie Chalk. Top row, left to right, Lettie Clifton, Bertha Clifton, Lizzie Chalk, Lydia Elliott, Martha Elliott, Walker Williams, Bob Elliott, Oscar Williams and Albert Edwards. Walker Williams of Matador who lent this picture to the Tribune several years ago, identified the students, several of whom are still living.

# OLD SETTLERS

*WE pay tribute to the courage of the Old Settlers. We pay tribute to their faith in the development of this area. We know many of the roads have been rough.*

*Despite the hardships and privations shared by cattlemen, farmers and businessmen during early days, a great and prosperous country has been developed. To every pioneer of Motley and Dickens Counties, we extend our sincere appreciation, and wish for you a most successful and happy reunion at Roaring Springs Thursday, Friday and Saturday.*



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| City Bakery                      |                                  | ROARING SPRINGS              |
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Hart and his daughter Donna Foster  
 in Leary accompanied by daughter-in-law of Midland, to attend  
 in Thomas visited Wednesday of her daughter and Mrs. T. and daughter Bethany and Gerry Thomas, business in Matador  
 attended the and Greenbelt at Childress were, Mr. and mas and family Earl Harris Mr. and Mrs. their son and Mrs. Eddie Leary Midland A. C. Mr. and Mrs. and Mr. and Mrs. and Quinn  
 RESIDENT DIED as received here of the death Sunday of Mr. Jim Haver a former Northfield he had suffered the past week. were held at the Northfield  
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OLD MATADOR JAIL has witnessed many changes from the jingle of cowboys' spurs to the roar of jets overhead. Interest in the old building was revived recently when the Amarillo Little Theatre Adult Workshop used it as a scene for one of William Saroyan's plays, "Hello Out There." The cast came here to get "atmosphere" for the play. The following feature was written by Kara Hunsucker when she was a Tribune reporter while still in high school here. She is now Mrs. Cecil Burney of Corpus Christi.

## Old Jail Building has Witnessed Changes from Cowboys to Jets

By Kara Hunsucker  
(From Tribune Files,  
June 15, 1939)

A monument and historic landmark to the dramatic saga of West Texas is the Motley County jail at Matador. Within its four walls is found the exciting story of the era when a jail-break caused a furor and an extensive man-hunt upon the part of each "gun-totin'" cowboy to be found for many miles in all directions.

When Motley County was organized in 1891, immediately it was realized that there was a necessity for a place in which to harbor criminals. For it was in this year that a Mr. McCloud shot Jeff Varner, the first man to be buried in the local cemetery. The shooting occurred at the Matador Ranch, and since there was no jail, cowboys from the ranch had to guard McCloud and the dead Varner until an examining trial could be held.

Of course, there were not many "bad men" living in such

a thinly populated area, and crimes were not very frequent. But the hardy pioneers did believe in being prepared, so construction on the jail was begun.

### Stone From Salt Creek

Work was scarce in the county at that time, and the erection of the new building was to give many men a chance to make a little extra money. The brown limestone that was used for the edifice was hauled in wagons from Salt Creek, five miles west of Matador, and Pat Cornett, father of Mrs. J. E. Russell, served as contractor.

One of the first crimes in the newly organized county was the murder of a Mr. Beamer by Tom Fulcher, who thereby became the county's first visitor in the new jail. Mr. Fulcher, whom many ladies well remember as a handsome sort of a fellow, was promptly sentenced to be hung and then promptly broke out of the prison, much to the amazement of the county's citizens. He was promptly captured, how-

ever, and then sentenced to life imprisonment.

This time, he decided to escape thru the roof, which he did, and then he reached temporary safety by sliding down to earth by the "bed-sheet" method. Again, Mr. Fulcher was captured, and no time was lost in sending him to the state penitentiary. We doubt if he remained there long, however.

In 1904, the town was again excited by the escape of two Willis boys, who had been accused of cow theft and captured somewhere on the plains. In the early hours of the night, while everyone was attending a revival meeting the two young boys made their dash for freedom.

Of course, the preacher was duly interrupted, and an all-night search thru the brakes, canyons, and gullies was begun. The next morning, the two desperados were found sleeping peacefully in a corner of the old gin. They were sent to the penitentiary, also.

Soon after the Motley County

Railroad was built here in 1913, two Negroes murdered a Mexican down by the tracks. This time, escape was made by sawing out a window, but again the criminals were captured and sent on to Huntsville.

### Recent Jail Breaks

Then in more recent years, is the story of "Red" Hill, who made an attempt for freedom by trying to dig out the stones from around the bars. By this method, he would have had to remove a whole section of the iron bars; but luckily he was caught in time.

Curley Bailey, a criminal who had jewels, watches, and other stolen articles in his possession when arrested, was recaptured after having broken out that northeast window, which has three escapes credited to its name and numerous other attempts.

And no one could forget the daring daylight escape of Ray Mooney last year. He tore a board from around the shower bath and broke the bars by prying them with it. After stealing Foster Fulcher's automobile and going to Oklahoma, he was caught.

### Tribute To Sheriffs

And so we could go on and on. More remarkable, however, is the large amount of criminals who have really been kept inside the walls of the jail in comparison to the number who have escaped.

This is indeed a tribute to the efforts of the sheriffs who have come and gone during the last half century!

On the second floor of the jail is found one big cell which has two divisions and will accommodate eight men in all. Then there is the "crazy cell" that is used to keep the insane until they can be removed to the state hospital.

The gellows that was never used is another interesting part of the jail. One can still see the trap-door which was barred when the state law prohibiting hanging by local authorities was passed. In 1936, a concrete floor and ceiling were built on the second floor in order to make escape more unlikely.

The Motley County jail is not one of the beauty spots of Matador. But if we were asked by a visitor to show him the historic and picturesque spots of our city, one of the first places we should take him would be to the small square building nestled on the banks of Ballard Creek.

### ESCAPE ARTIST CAUGHT

One of the most spectacular escapes from Motley County jail was that effected in November,

1957 by Roger Throneberry. The 15-year-old burglar escaped by squirting his way beneath the barred cell door, in a space about the height of two ordinary cigarettes. He was later caught, and sent to the State School for Boys at Gatesville and escaped from there April of last year.

After 10 hours of freedom the "escape artist" was re-captured in Briscoe County and brought back to the Matador jail where he was lodged for the second time in less than six months.

## NORTHFIELD NEWS

Mrs. Hal Courtney  
Phone KI 5-2422

Visiting in the Boone Simpson home recently, were Mr. and Mrs. Dude Murlie of Estelline and Mr. and Mrs. Jack Newcome and children of Childress.

Miss Carolyn Lane is home for the remainder of the summer, after attending Jessie Lee's beauty school in Lubbock for the past few weeks.

Recent Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Cruse and family, were her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Pete Timmons, also Minister and Mrs. Dan Coker, of Abilene.

Harold Campbell and Buford Hobbs of Matador visited the Hal Courtneys Sunday afternoon.

Miss Jerry Thomas has returned home from Amarillo, where she had been a guest of Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Ashford. Miss Sue Carrick of Tell, visited her during the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. Nolan Thomas had lunch with her sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. Lon Hall of Shores Creek, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank King of Lubbock made a short visit at the Bill Bethany home Sunday of last week, and accompanied her mother, Mrs. Sally Wells, to their home. Mrs. Wells had

been visiting here with her sister, Mrs. Bethany.

Mr. and Mrs. Eddie J. Leary and daughter, Susan, of Midland, were week-end guests of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Leary.

Major and Mrs. Arlie McCoy of Riverside, Calif., and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ed McCoy of Childress visited in the Allan Thomas and Bill Bethany homes last week.

Visiting Mr. and Mrs. Newell Timmons during the week end were their sons and families, Mr. and Mrs. Clem Timmons and family of Estelline, and Mr. and Mrs. Rush Timmons and children of Childress.

Mr. and Mrs. Delmont Hays and son, Vaden, visited in Muleshoe recently, with his sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. D. O. Smith.

Visiting the past week with Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Simpson, was his sister, Mrs. Hattie Berry, of Weatherford.

Mr. and Mrs. D. H. McGinley will make their home in Matador this year, where they are both employed in the Matador schools. The people of Northfield will certainly miss this wonderful and most dependable couple.

Mr. and Mrs. Rush Timmons and children and Mrs. Reece Timmons and family visited in the J. W. Timmons home, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Hal Courtney and Quinn, also Petyes and Don Timmons were guests Sunday at lunch, of Mr. and Mrs. Delmont Hays and Vaden.

Visiting Mr. and Mrs. Jim Dobbins Sunday, were her brother and nephew, Guy Ashford and Mr. and Mrs. Dale Ashford of Turkey, and Jeff Garrison and

Arthur De Hart and his daughter, formerly Donna Foster, Claude.

Mrs. Marvin Leary accompanied her daughter-in-law, Mrs. Eddie Leary of Midland, to Lubbock, Tuesday, to attend business.

Mrs. Nolan Thomas visited Childress, Wednesday of last week with her daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Ted Hightower and daughter, Mrs. Bill Bethany and grand daughter, Jerry Thomas, who had to business in Matador Sunday.

Several attended the town parade and Greenbelt ball game at Childress Wednesday. Among these were, Mr. and Mrs. Allan Thomas and family, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Harris and daughters, Mr. and Mrs. Leary and their son and Mrs. Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Leary, Susan, of Midland, A. C. and sons, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas and Mr. and Mrs. Courtney and Quinn.

### FORMER RESIDENT DIES

Word was received here Monday of the death Sunday 5:30 p. m. of Mr. Jim Harvey Childress, a former Northfield resident. He had suffered a stroke the past week. Funeral services were held at 10 Tuesday at the Northfield house.

Miss Betty Neighbors of the week end at her home visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Neighbors. She has been employed in Lubbock during the summer. Mr. and Mrs. B. C. Casper the week end visiting in Matador with their son Charles Ray.

### KIMBLE OPTOMETRIC CLINIC

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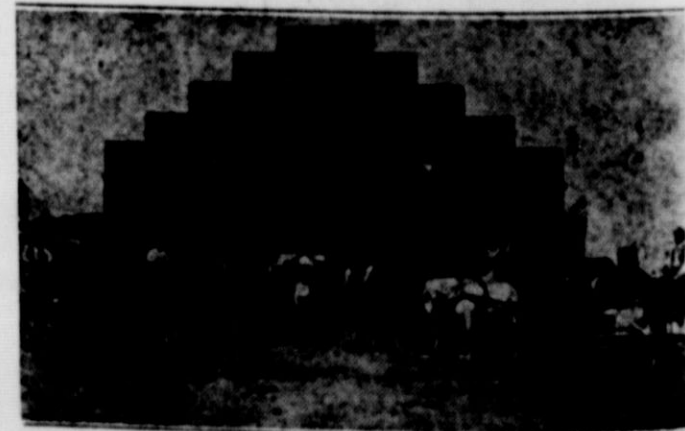
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# Garner and Keith Families hold 10th Annual Reunion in Matador

## CONFEDERATE SOLDIER WHO FILED HERE WAS FIRST TO PLANT COTTON IN COUNTY

**Told To Miss Verlin Reeves)** than the rest of the house, giving the appearance of split-level architecture.

Childress was the nearest trading post and it took five days to make the round trip. They took a chuck box containing a skillet, a coffee pot and a few other articles, for camping out. There was always a package of Arbuckle coffee, and they took meat from the hogs they raised. They took their bedroll and camped out at night. Since it was such a long, hard trip, they purchased enough supplies to last six months each trip.

Since there were no gins in the county when he planted his first cotton, it was hauled to Childress for ginning. The fertile virgin soil yielded a bale per acre.

About 1915 the Lisenbys moved to Childress, and later to Corpus Christi, where they continued to reside the remainder of their lives. However, their three children, Edd, Mary Osborn "Molly", and John continued to live in this county.

**Establish Homes**

Edd had married Miss Mattie Holland of Dickens County. While living here he built the house one mile east of Matador on the Paducah highway, known as the Bourland place. It was one of the nicest homes here at that time. He later moved to Dickens County, where he died.

Molly had married A. B. Echols in 1895 and continued to live in Matador until her death in 1936.

John Lisenby married and continued to live here. The Matador Maverick of July, 1903, gave this account of his wedding: "On July 11, 1903 at Hill Crest, Rev. G. I. Britian announced at the conclusion of the afternoon service that the next thing on the program was a wedding. The wheels of a buggy sounded and Mr. John Lisenby and Miss Bertha May Rattan appeared near the door of the church. The audience filed out to witness the ceremony. Rev. Britian pronounced the ceremony while the young couple sat in the buggy."

**Bible Still in Family**

The bridegroom's father, the senior Mr. Lisenby gave the young couple a large Bible, which is still in the family.

John Lisenby, now retired, has been a cowboy, rancher and farmer. He was a cowboy during the days of the Texas Longhorn cattle, now "practically extinct." Among his prized possessions is

The American Legion building, Sunday was the scene of the 10th annual reunion held by descendants of two prominent pioneer families of Dickens and Motley counties, the H. T. Garners and the D. C. Keiths.

Hosts and hostesses for the occasion were the Keith and M. S. Patton families of Matador, being Mr. and Mrs. D. P. Keith, Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Keith and son, David, Miss Mary Keith, Mr. and Mrs. M. S. Patton (former Helen Keith) and their son, Keith Patton.

The two families were among those active in organizing the Dickens-Motley Counties Old Settlers' Reunion, and have been faithful supporters of the organization through the years.

Although the family reunion has no direct connection with the larger association of Old Settlers, the interest of the sons and daughters of these pioneers, has played an important role in its perpetuation.

**Started in August '49**

The Garner-Keith reunion was started the third Sunday in August, 1949, to commemorate the memory of Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Garner, and Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Keith, Mr. Keith and Mrs. Garner being brother and sister.

Also included in the group were the families of the late Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Garner of Jacksboro, who are related to both the Garners and Keiths.

For a number of years the reunion was held in MacKenzie Park, Lubbock, each family bringing a picnic lunch, to spend the day visiting and reminiscing. Close friends of any relative were also invited.

The last two years the picnic was held in Spur, at the American Legion Hut. Next year, the Jacksboro Garners are asking for the reunion in Jacksboro, to be held in the Old Fort that has been preserved there.

Hosts and hostesses in past years have been Mrs. M. L. Jones and the late Mr. Jones, and Miss Ella Garner, Spur. The

**The Man On Horseback**

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The late D. C. Keith was one of the first settlers in Dickens County.

He was born Oct. 7, 1861 near Winchester, Tenn. From boyhood he worked with railroad companies until he was 19 years of age when he moved to Texas in 1880 with his sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Garner, settling in Jack County.

Six months later he came to Dickens County with his uncle, Jones Keith's cattle, settling at Soldier Mound, July 12, 1882. He then worked six years for the Spur Company and came to Motley County to work on the Matador Ranch, Sept. 5, 1888.

The late Mrs. D. C. Keith was born near Eutaw, Green County, Alabama. She came to Texas in December, 1877. From Hood County, she came to Matador with her family, Nov. 23, 1891. She was married to D. C. Keith, Dec. 23, 1891.

**First Wedding in County**

D. C. Keith and Miss Ella Cribbs were the first couple married in Motley County. Pat McHugh, a Justice of the Peace, also a cowboy, performed the marriage ceremony (there being no preachers here at the time), in the home of Mrs. Mittie McDonald.

The late Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Garner moved from Jack County to Dickens County in the fall of 1890 and lived there the remainder of their lives, ranking among the area's most prominent citizens.

Mr. Garner helped organize Dickens County and served as County Treasurer for 14 years. For 69 years he witnessed its development from a pioneer ranch section to a great farming district, justifying the faith which prompted him to choose it for his home.

### Relatives, Friends Here for Reunion

A large group of relatives, and several invited friends attended the Garner-Keith family reunion at the Legion building, Sunday, August 23.

Coming from Dallas were Mrs. Gay Collett, Mr. and Mrs. Arge Thomason, Mrs. Linda Crane, Mrs. Wiley Dismukes, and Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Anderson; from Fort Worth were Miss Beatrice McKnight and Mrs. Sam Bonds; from Lubbock were Mr. and Mrs. Loyd Latimer and children, Sandra, Dale and Kelly; Mrs. Jack Jones, Rena and Pat; Mr. and Mrs. Jack Knox and children, Jerry, Danny and Jay.

Mrs. Lawson Morgan was from Amarillo; and coming from El Paso were Mr. and Mrs. Bob Keith and children, Rhonda and Randy Mr. and Mrs. Ed Nolan from Benjamin; Mrs. Luther Jones and children, Jeff, Jill and Fronzy; Mrs. Pearl Jones and Barbara Wattrip, of Morton; Mr. and Mrs. Will Duncan, Tatum, N. M.

Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Keith and Dan of Whiteface; Mr. and Mrs. Brad Roland, and children, Keith, Lynn and Richard, of

### Contest Ends Today For Women Golfers

Today (Aug. 27th) was the last pious day for competition between the "Flubbers" and "Dubbers", women's teams of the Ladies Golf Ass'n., which have been in matched play during this summer. The Flubbers gained again last week over the Dubbers.

The winners will be entertained by the losers, it was announced.

The women played last Thursday for low putts, with Mrs. Tom Newman winning the golf ball. Other members participating in play were, Mesdames Buzz Thacker, Melton Thacker, Bob Clem, Edd James, Melvin Meason, Bill Seale, Henry Bercutt and Bundy Campbell.

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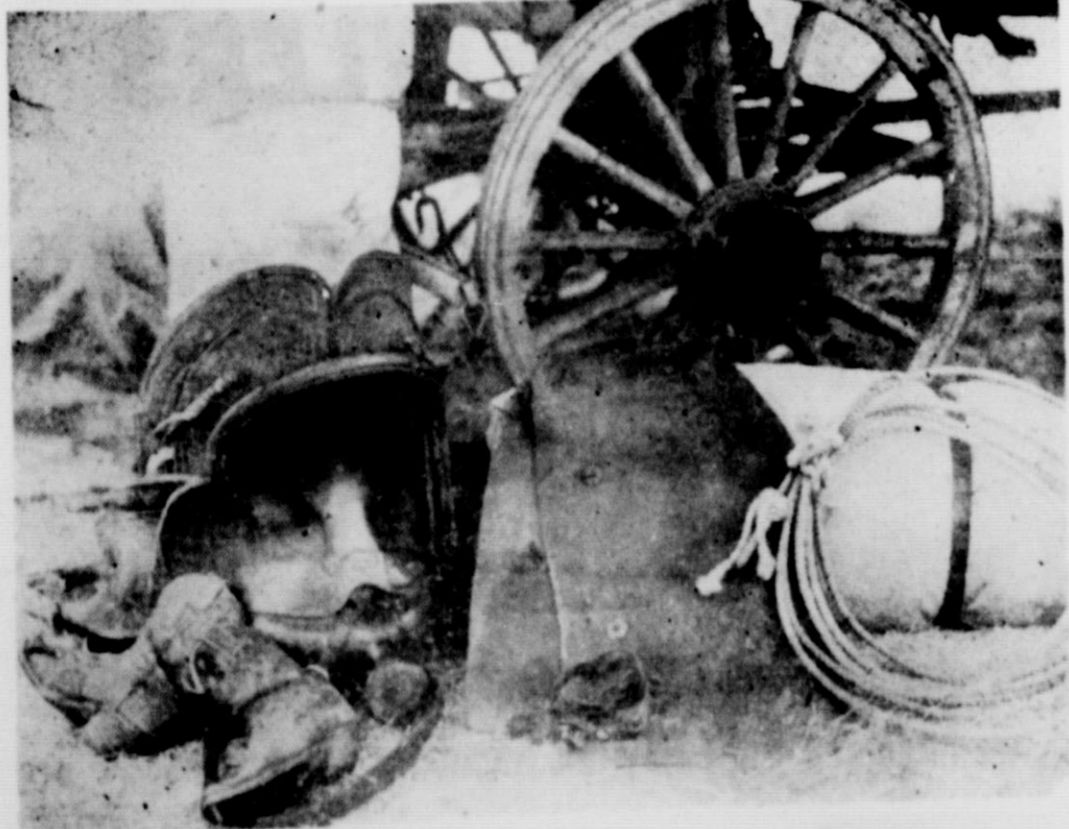


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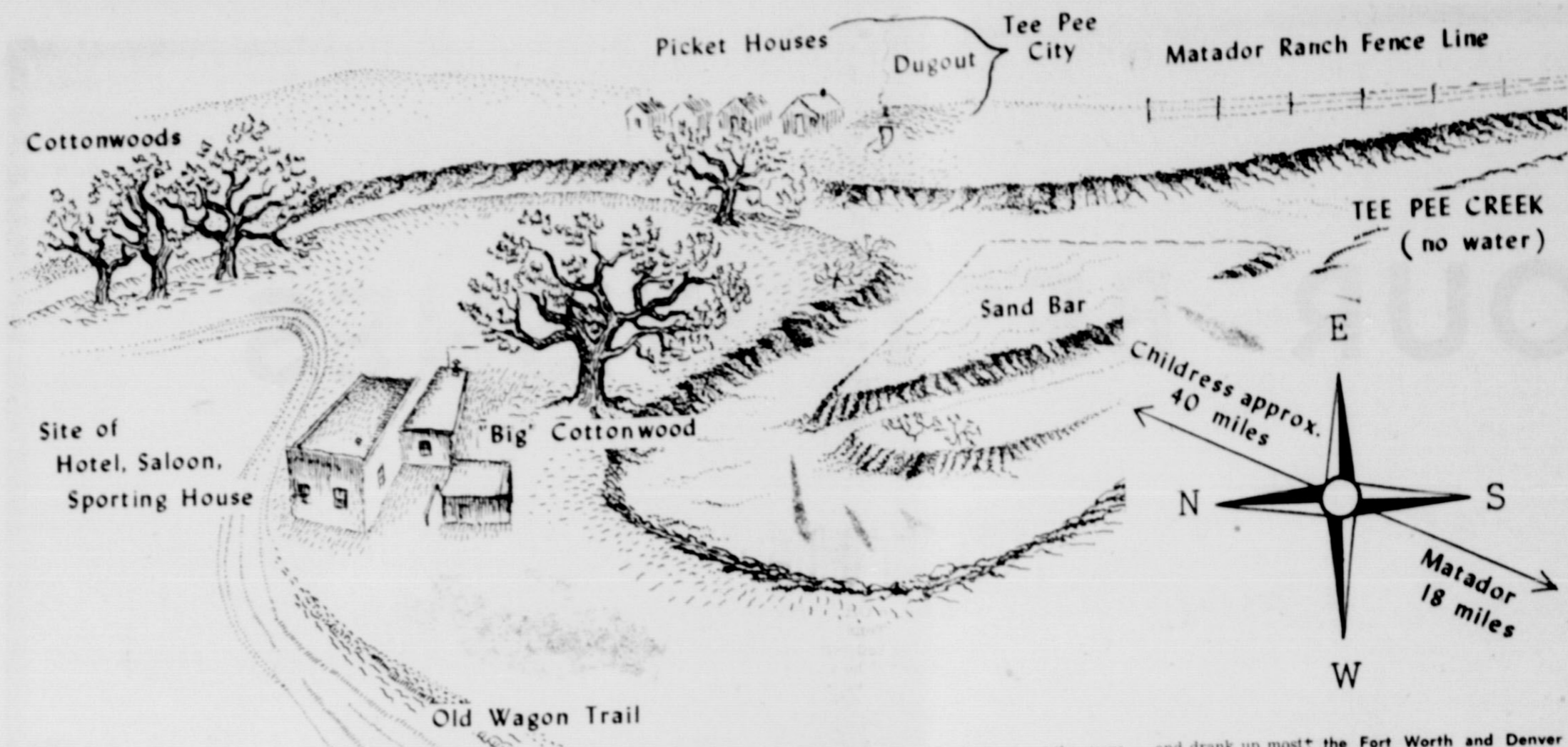
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## Saga of County History Began at Old Teepee City

BY CLYDE WALTER  
(Amarillo Sunday News-Globe Staff Writer)

A gnarled cottonwood stands mutely over the burial ground of Teepee City—Matley County's first community.

The tree is alone now. Children no longer laugh under its spacious shadow or climb excitedly among its lower branches. Its behemoth trunk no longer provides convenient support for the head and shoulders of the village loafer, made drowsy by unequal portions of barreled whiskey and summer sun.

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THERE IS NO village now. But it was not always so. The tree was not gnarled nor had its limbs climbed high to be tortured by the wind when the first wagons crossed Teepee Creek in the early 1870's and came to a halt nearby.

A hundred strong, the wagons had come from Dodge City in Kansas. They were bound south toward the Texas Panhandle. When the wagon train moved on, 15 or so families remained behind on the banks of the creek. They were the first settlers in Matley County. They found shelter by burrowing into the banks of the creek. Across the top of the open excavation they laid branches and brush. Over the top went earth.

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IN THE NORTH END of the shelter the builder erected a rock chimney. The finished product was a "dugout." Those who preferred life above ground, went to a little more trouble. Walls were constructed of china poles set 4 to 6 inches apart. The cracks were plastered with mud.

Brush and dirt formed a roof. The result was a "picket house." Both the dugout and picket house were crude, but in a country without heavy timber for planking, the first homes were makeshift.

Because the countryside abounded with discarded poles used by the Comanche in constructing his teepee, the settlers did the logical thing. They called their community Teepee City.

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IN 1879 Arthur Byron Cooper brought his wife, Anna, to the new community. The couple bought a wagon in Dallas shortly after their marriage and headed west, says James Jurysen Cooper, the couple's son, now a resident of Matador.

"Father homesteaded about a mile down the creek below Teepee City," Cooper says. There the older Cooper built a dugout for his family. "I was born in the dugout on Oct. 26, 1884," Cooper says.

"Dad ran a general store housed in a dugout. He sold powder, lead, groceries and dry-goods to the residents and to buffalo hunters," he continued.

FOR SEVERAL YEARS the buffalo hunters made Teepee City headquarters and the citizens existed by the sale of supplies. "When my folks came out here they met wagon after wagon loaded down with buffalo hides. After they came to Teepee City to live there wasn't but three buffalo killed near the town from then on," he recalls.

Teepee City was apparently aptly named, as Cooper explained it: "All along the creek there seemed to be a lot of teepee poles. Mother used a lot of them for firewood. . . some of them were still tied together."

"No, there was no trouble with the Comanche," Cooper said. "Mother saw Indians come up on a hill not far away and reconnoiter. They never came up to the dugout. . . mother was alone there too."

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EARLY EXPEDITION  
The first settlement of Teepee City was built on public domain land. In 1879 John Lemmond filed on the land on which the town was located. Later he sold the land to Henry H. Campbell and it became a part of the Matador Ranch.

A. B. Cooper filed on 160 acres (limit at that time) homestead and later purchased three additional sections for about 30c per acre. Jim Cooper now owns the three sections and 160-acre homestead, where he was born and reared.

An earlier history of Teepee City is believed to have been taken from the field notes of an expedition sent from Austin by President Miraneau B. Lamar to map a more direct route to Santa Fe, New Mexico. The expedition camped on Teepee Creek about the site of Teepee City, in 1841. The party of pioneers selected the site because of abundant wood, water and shade.

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"FATHER GOT THE GOLD fever in 1898 and went to Alaska. He never did come back. He never did find gold and he died there 1916," Cooper said.

Life in a dugout was not without excitement, Cooper recalled. "The dugout faced the creek and one night in 1886 a water spout came along. Dad had to knock the gabled end of the dugout out and drag mother and me back underneath some rocks for the night."

"Dad later built a rock house—the first in the area, in 1888. "The only plank building I knew of was the saloon."

"It stood over there under that big cottonwood tree. . . the tree that stands off by itself," Cooper, who is blind pointed unerringly from his vantage place on a hill overlooking the old townsite.

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"UNDER THAT TREE stood the saloon, hotel and sporting



James J. Cooper

houses. . . seems like everytime the cowboys from the Matador Ranch went anywhere, they always had to stop off at the saloon," he grinned, and added, "They finally bought it so they could shut it down."

"Isaac Armstrong — he died in 1884 — ran the saloon. He lived in a dugout, and they dug his grave up there in that sand hill," Cooper pointed at a weed-covered mound of dirt, enclosed by rusting strands of barbed wire.

"He had a wooden leg and when he died they laid him out on a table in his saloon. The table only had three legs so they unstrapped his wooden leg and used it prop up one corner of the table," Cooper laughed.



the grave — and drank up most of his stock.

"On the way to the grave with the body, one of the men happened to discover that the burial party had left the wooden leg behind holding up the table."

"The man stopped the party and shouted, 'hold up fellows, my G — we forgot part of him'," Cooper related.

"So the funeral had to wait while the wooden leg was retrieved and strapped back on Armstrong," he said.

COOPER'S FATHER had homesteaded on 2,080 acres, all in the center of the Matador Ranch. "Father picked the land to lay across the two creeks—Teepee and the Pease River—so as to be near water. . . He came when the land was all public domain."

"The post office was started in November of 1879 and father took it over and moved it from Teepee City to the old homestead in 1887. When

the Fort Worth and Denver Railroad built across to Childress, the freight routes were changed and the city began to decline.

ACCORDING TO an inscription on a stone monument on a knoll overlooking the site of the city, Cooper's sister, Nora Cordelia Cooper, was the first white girl child born in Matley County.

Cooper says another sister, Nellie Elizabeth Cooper, was born earlier, but only lived about four months.

The family during the years had moved from rock house to a one-room frame house. The dwelling served as home until a frame ranch house could be constructed.

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"WE STAYED ON at the ranch place until 1920 when I moved to town for two years, but mother and Nora stayed on the ranch. "Mother left Sweden when she was 17 and came to the United States in 1865. Mother

wouldn't leave the ranch. . . said she had come to America to find a home. She had found it and she wasn't going to leave it," Cooper recalled.

"She died on the old homestead in 1932," he said.

"I moved back to the ranch until I had a child old enough to go to school — that was in 1933. I ran cattle out there until I was my sight and sold my cattle in 1944," he said.

COOPER AND HIS WIFE lived in Matador. Mrs. Cooper operates a beauty shop in the center of their home. Their son, James Byron Cooper lives in Matador and works for Thacker Building Co. They also have a daughter, Mrs. Jimmie Worsham, who lives in Stinnett.

With the exception of the stone monument, erected in 1936 by the State of Texas, little remains to indicate Teepee City's existence.

About a mile north of the townsite stands an old horse corral. Three sides of it are formed of pickets driven into the ground. The fourth is a crumbling wall—all that remains of the school house, Motley Cooper first.

COOPER'S RANCH houses stands, but through disease it is beginning to show signs of advanced age. All that remains of the old rock house and store is an almost filled excavation.

The tree — and a rutted wagon trail — now mark the site of what was once a flourishing frontier village, the only Matley County settlement south of the Texas settlement south of the Elliott.

Dr. and Mrs. R. R. Reeves and son, Thomas of Cleburne visited here from Thursday until Saturday, with Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Curry, parents of Mrs. Reeves.

Frank Traveck arrived here Tuesday of last week from Matlin, to spend the remainder of the summer with his parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Elbert Ennis of Cisco visited through the week end here with their son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Bert Ennis. Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Ennis and family visited in Deland last week with her relatives.

# WEEK-END SPECIALS

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# Mother of Seven Circuit Preacher

ANY WAY you look at it, the Rev. Mrs. Ruth Cooper is a remarkable woman.

She's the mother of seven children, "all grown," a grandmother twice, and she has just returned to her native area as a Methodist circuit preacher.

BY JERRY HALL  
Avalanche-Journal Staff Writer

"But I ride in a beat-up old car instead of horseback on the circuit," she laughs.

The Rev. Mrs. Cooper licensed by the Northwest Texas Conference, fills the Whiteflat-Flomot circuit in Motley County a few miles north of Matador.

There is only one other woman pastor in the conference.

The Rev. Mrs. Cooper sums it up this way. "There's nothing remarkable about a woman being in the ministry or any other type of Christian service. As St. Paul expressed it, '... there is neither Greek nor Jew... neither slave nor free... neither male nor female, for you are all one in Christ Jesus' (Gal. 3:28).

### Decision Announced

When Mrs. Cooper announced her decision to become a minister in 1957, her family took the news calmly. "I owe a great deal to them because they have always been cooperative in my work at a sacrifice to the myself," she says.

She and her husband, Arthur Cooper, who has been a trucker in several South Plains towns, have five girls and two boys. One of the boys is studying for the ministry, and at least one of the girls wants to be a missionary-doctor.

The family consists of Mrs. Paul McMahan, Levelland, mother of a 2-year-old son, Harold, a Texas Tech student, Lubbock, Ralph, a student at McMurry College in Abilene who is preaching at Putnam this summer and is the father of a small daughter, Linda and Sandra, 17, twins who graduated from Mule-

shoe High School this year and who will enroll in McMurry this fall; Frances, 16, and Doris, 15. The last four girls still are at home.

The Cooper family moved into the unused parsonage at Whiteflat early in June from near Muleshoe where they had lived 10 years.

Mrs. Cooper was born and reared in Matador and is the daughter of long-time residents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Simpson.

### Enrolled in Course

In relating her path to the pulpit, the Rev. Mrs. Cooper recalls, "for about two years I fought against the call to preach. Finally, after prayer, and after counseling with my pastor, in March of 1957 I came before the church (Progress Methodist Church near Muleshoe) to announce my decision.

"Then I enrolled in a course of study which covered the Bible, church history and doctrine, ministerial duties and the principles of Christian faith," said Mrs. Cooper.

She was graduated from Matador High School in 1932, and attended Trinity University in Waxahachie and also North Texas State College in Denton. More recently she has taken correspondence courses under instructors from Nashville, Tenn. She finished the studies with passing grades in June, 1958.

Mr. Cooper recalls the decision and preparation by declaring, "Women make the best leaders in the church." His wife, he recalls, has been very active in church work throughout their married life, and he is extremely proud of her devotion.

### Small Sacrifices

"A call to full-time service usually involves small sacrifices



HAPPY FAMILY GROUP — The Rev. Mrs. Ruth Cooper, seated center, watches as her daughter, Linda, 17, pours a cup of coffee for her father, Arthur Cooper. Mr. and Mrs. Cooper are the parents of seven children and two grandchildren. The girls are, Doris, 15, seated; Frances, 16, standing left, and Sandra, 17, Linda's twin. The Rev. Mrs. Cooper recently became the second woman pastor in the Northwest Texas Conference. (Lubbock Avalanche-Journal Staff Photo)

and great rewards," believes the Rev. Mrs. Cooper. "The fact that so few respond reflects our worship of the chief idol of our time, materialism.

"The Kingdom of God comes first," she adds with a quiet smile.

Mrs. Cooper recognizes she is "a beginner in this type of service, but I hope the congregations will accept me as an individual and not as a woman."

She preaches at Whiteflat every second and fourth Sunday and at Flomot every first and third Sunday. She also doubles as Sunday School superintendent and can play the piano.

There are between 40 to 50 members of each congregation.

"The people in these communities have been very kind to me and my family, and there has been very little opposition, if any, because I am a woman," the Rev. Mrs. Cooper said.

### According to Gifts

She feels "the call to service comes to every Christian who will listen to the voice of God. I believe that it comes as truly to laymen as to preachers, and to each according to his or her gifts.

"It is wrong to claim that we have no gifts or talents or to

wrap those we admit to in a cloth of false modesty and bury them in the ground. Teachers, doctors, homemakers, Sunday School and church workers and many others respond to the call."

She spends several hours a week on her sermons but does not memorize them. "I generally make a full outline," she says, adding "No, I don't practice them on the family. I figure listening to them once a week is enough!"

The Coopers credit their family success in a large degree to "having time for each other."

"Too many people including working mothers just don't have time for family life any more. That's no good," says Cooper.

### Dinner No Problem

Asked about the typical housewife's problem concerning Sunday dinner burning if the sermon runs too long the Rev. Cooper laughs, "I never have to worry about that with all these girls around."

Her entire family is proud of their mother's devotion and decision to become a preacher.

An hour's visit with the Coopers is a warming experience. Visitors can't help going away feeling better about things in general.

"You know," commented one man, "that family may not have wealth in a worldly sense, but they're the richest folks I know just the same."

## COUNTY AGENT PALLMEYER SAYS:

### COTTON PRODUCTION

Motley County cotton farmers have had a difficult time in establishing the 32,377 acres of cotton allowed under the 1959 program, of which 7% is in Plan B.

Numerous replantings have caused much of the crop to be late, thereby making the control of insects, especially the thrip and fleahopper more of a necessity.

Either of these insects is easy to control, and both can be controlled with the same insecticides, which are listed in bulletins available at the County Agent's office.

Some of the most common are Toxaphene at the rate of 1/2% qt. per acre and Heptachlor at the rate of 1 to 1 1/2 pt per acre.

Two or three applications may be necessary and start when you find 15 or more fleahoppers per 100 plants.

Thrip control should be started if the cotton is slow growing, and the leaves have a crinkled spinach leaf appearance. Thrips stunt the plant, while fleahoppers knock off young squares, which are never replaced.

A check of varieties shows that about 50% of the county is seeded of Lackart; 14% to Lockett Stormproof; 13 to Parrott; 9 to Western Stormproof; and 4% each to Northern Star, and Paymaster. Three percent of the land was seeded to Blightmaster, and the following amounted to the other 2% seeded in the county: Gregg, Half & Half, Empire, Deltapine 15 and Rex.

About 10,700 acres of cotton are in the Flomot area; 8,000 at Roaring Springs, 6,000 at Whiteflat; 5,800 at Matador, and 2,300 at Northfield.

### HOG SITUATION

According to the June Pig Crop Report released by the Agricultural Marketing Service, the 1959 spring pig crop totaled nearly 60 million head.

This is 12 percent more than was produced in the spring of 1958 and is the largest spring pig crop since 1951. This means that we are going to have more hogs on the market in the fall of 1959.

If producers' fall farrowing intentions materialize, the 1959 fall pig crop will also be very large and will probably be exceeded only by the fall pig crop of 1960.

### MOTLEY COUNTY FARMERS SUBMIT SOIL SAMPLES

Motley County farmers submitted 9 soil samples to the Agricultural Extension Service Soil Testing Laboratory at College Station during the months of May and June.

This was part of a total of 600 samples received by the laboratory for this period. The Extension Service maintains and operates this soil testing laboratory for farmers to use in determining their fertilizer needs.

Even though soil tests have some limitations in determining fertilizer needs, the \$1.00 spent on a soil test is the most important dollar spent in a fertilizer program.

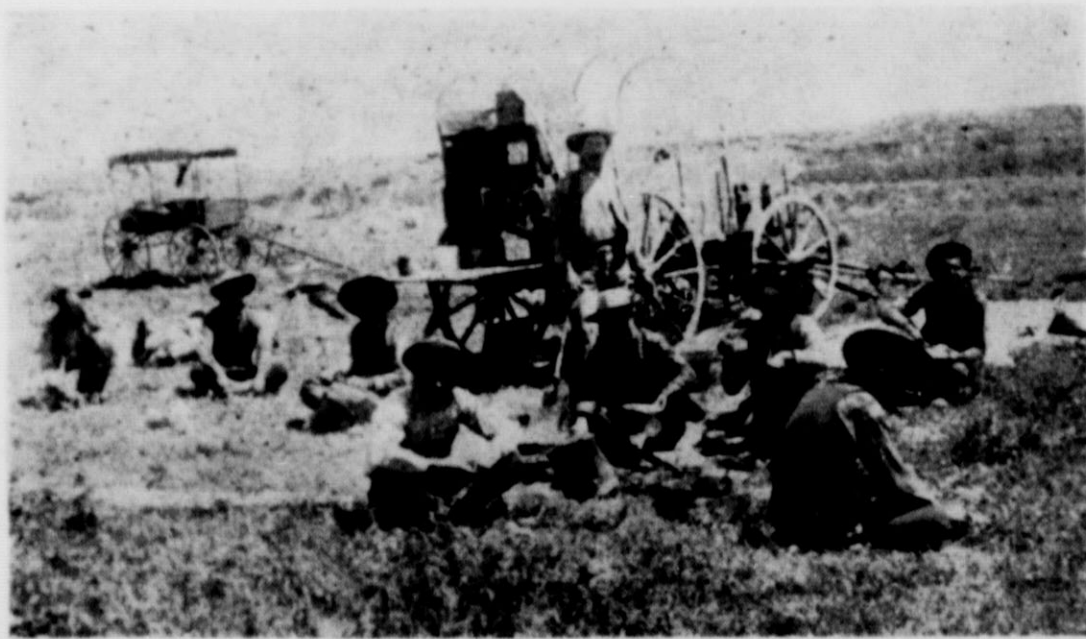
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