The Carbon Messenger

Carbon, Eastland County, Texas, Thursday, November 3, 1955

Miss Catherine Scudder is visiting relatives in Carlsbad, N. M.

bert and wife last week.

relatives in Lampasas this week.

Jake Merrell and wife of Oces-

this week.

E. J. White and wife of Winters | ual her flowers. spent Sunday night with Bill Edmon son and wife.

attended the Baptist General party. Convention.

Mrs. Mamie Redwine visited her son, Frank Redwine and family of Wichita Falls last week.

O. Stone and wife are visiting taeir daughter, Mrs. Tom Ireland, and family of Lubbock.

Mrs. Hallie Seastrunk is visiting her son, Sam Seastrunk, and family of Odessa this week.

J. C. Watson and family and Miss Bess Howry of Goree visited Ed Stacy and family Sunday.

E. L. Weaver was taken to Methodist Memorial Hospital in Ft. Worth Wednesday where be is seriously ill with a heart ailment.

Bobby Joe Jackson and wife of Cisco visited her parents, Joe Pe tree and wife Sunday.

V. K. Davis an I family of Bay town, accompanied by their son. sity, Austin, visited his mother.

Calvin Gilbert of Denton spent er. Tuesday night with his parents Mr. & Mrs. A. N. Mahan here enroute from Austin on a business trip.

Social Side Of 38 Study Club

On Friday evening, October 21; of San Marcus visited H. R. Gil. Desdemona entertained the mem- the Gordon Wildcats 55 6.

Mrs. Marion Wyatt of Arkan- and yellow Pyracantha. Only first play from scrimmage Little recting. sas visited R. L Wyatt and wife those who know Mrs. Eldridge passed to Duggar who moved all Mrs. Johnson is the former

by those present.

Rev. and Mrs. Lee Fields were hostess for the next regular pro- of the ev ning for Gordon.

The WMU women of the Bapgiving. Staple foods and cash the extra point. bring it to the church.

This quilt was donated by Mrs. his third TD of the evening and attend the State FFA Convention

Through error, it was stated in 416. last weeks paper that the lining was donated by Mrs. Welch. The name should have been Mrs. Mary Phillips.

Benevolance Chairman

Card Of Thanks

friends and former neighbors of ing at 55.6. Carbon who so kindly remember-Vic. who is attending Bayler Uni et us with comforting words and versity at Waco and Miss Marsha | I vely flowers in our hour of deep | Norris and C ok standing out on White, student of Texas Univer- sorrow in the loss of our dear daughter and sister, Mrs. R. J. John-Mrs. Georgia Davis, last week son. May the Lord bless and comfort you when such sorrow comes to you is our earnest pray-

Mr. & Mrs. Truman Mahan

Carbon Defeats Gordan Friday

thun.b. Only hot houses can eq. kicked the goal moving the score and Mrs. A. N. Mahan who lived clear and took a pass covering a- School. Mrs. C. G. Stubblefield will be bout 30 yards for the only score

following the kick-off Little inter- friends. tist Church are sending canned cepted a Gordon pass and ran 18 foods to Buckners Orphans Home yards for another Welverine coun to be mailed in time for Thanks. Iter. Duggan passed to Little for

Early in the fourth quarter Lit tle ran 20 yards for a TD. Try for point failed. Cook tackeled the Garno Gordon safety man in the end zone for a safety and two points 12-B running the score to 49 6. Midway of the fourth quarter Little coun ! We wish to thank our good tered again closing out the score- trict 12-B for the 1956 football

in by the entire team with Guy, defense and Little, Brown, Dug gan, and Phelps cutstanding on

Years Lettered Robert Norris Lettermen: Nickie Duggan Dennis Clower CoCaptain Carol Sandlin Charles Morgan

After a slow first half the Car- Funeral services for Mrs. R. J. Funeral rites for William H. Mrs. T. H. Aiken and children Mr. and Mrs, C. S. Eldridge of bon Wolverines rallied to defeat Johnson, 37, who passed away in May, 65, were held Saturday afbers of the '38 Study Club and Midway of the first quarter, 7:30 p. m., were conducted from Church with Rev. Lee Fields and their husbands with a 42 party, a Bob Brown took a pitchout from the First Baptist Church in Gor- Rev. Sublett conducting. M s. W. S. Maxwell is visiting social hour, and a refreshment Duggan and raced 52 yards for man Sunday at 2:30 p. m. with Interment was in the Flat ood plate that only Mrs. Eldridge the first Carbon TD. Gordon the pastor, Rev. W. A Penning- cemetery with Hamner Funeral to k the following kick-off deep ton, Rev. H. D. Blair of Cisco Home directing. The home was decorated at ap- in their own territory. After fail- and Rev. Lee Fields of Carbon sa visited Mis Laura Merrell last propriate places with home-grown ing to move the ball Gordon punt- officiating. Interment was in the Friday morning while going about and beautiful flowers, Lities, Ros- ed and Charles Little returned to Gorman cemetery with Higgin- his duties at his farm home in es, Bells of Ireland, Carnations, the Gordon 28 yard line. On the botham Bros. Funeral Home di-

best know "how green" is her the way for the TD. Duggan Modess Mahan, daughter of Mr. munrity practically all his life. to 14.0. Shortly before the half in Carbon for a number of years A delightful time was enjoyed a Gordon lineman worked himself where she attended Carbon High Church since early manhood.

Besides her husband, she is survived by her parents and one broin Houston last week where they gram and Mrs. Hines for the next | On the first play from scrim- ther, Truman Mahan of Dublin, mage opening the second half her grandfather, Rev. B. F. (lem-Brown took another pitchout and ent, formerly of Carbon, an aunt, moved 48 yards for a TD making Mrs. W. M. Dunn, of Carbon and the score 20-6. On second down a host of other relatives and

FFA News

ing to donete anything, please Duggan threw another TD pass; on October 19 and elected our FF this time to Gene Guy good for A Sweetheart, Carolyn Collins. The WMU women will meet at 38 yards. Duggan passed to Lit- Charles Little and Dennis Clower the church Monday at 1 p. m. for the extra point. Later in were elected to attend all District an afternoon of quilting and re- the third period Brown moved FFA meetings. Nickie Duggan gular meeting which begins at 2. around the left side 9 yards for and Carol Sandlin were elected to

Wade Clark and Mrs Frank Park, then ran the extra point making The chapter is selling rat poison the score at the end of the period which may be purchased from any 41 6.

Carbon has been placed in Disseason. Included in that district Outstanding games were turned are Sidney, Gustine, Pottsville, Preddy, Star, and Mullin.

> Daryl Phelps Donald Cook James Wyatt Larry Greer Bobby Brown Gene Guy Tommie Burleson Mgr.

Charles Little Captain

Funeral For

the Gorman Hospita! Friday at ternoon at the Mangum Baptist

Mr. May died suddenly early the Mangum community. He was a native of Eastland County and had lived in the Mangum co-He was a Mason and had been a member of the Mangum Baptist

He is survived by his wife and several children and a host of other relatives and frienc's.

The basketball season opens this week when the Carbon boys and girls meet Gordon here for games Friday night, November 4.

This year the boys will be coacare acceptable too. Anyone wish- After an exchange of downs! The Carbon FFA Chapter met hed by Supt. H. L. Mullins and the girls will be under the super vision of Coach Bob Browder.

Plans Announced For Meeting Of Ranchers Ass'n

Business matters to be discussed will be proposed changes in the by-laws of the organization and the campaign to reduce theft of cattle in the five county area. New directors will be elected at the meeting. The board of diectors will in turn

officers

The West Texas Ranchers Association, composed of farmers and ranchers of a five county area surrounding Eastland County, will hold its annual membership meeting Thursday night, November 3, at the Eastland High School auditorium, it was reported by President Sam Kimmell of

The speaker for the meeting will be J. C. Porter, assistant vice president and agriculturist of the First National Bank in Wichita

Counties in the association are Eastland, Callahan, Shackelford, Palo Pinto and Stephens.

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THE FARM PROBLEM

Much is being heard about the agricultural situation these days. Farm income is about 30 per cent down from the towering peak reached during the Korean War. The Democratic high command hopes to make important political capital out of that next year, and Republican leaders have acknowledged that it is a problem to which than those of other groups dur-

ing World War II and ensuing

years. According to Time, the

per capita jump was almost 300

per cent from 1939 through 1951,

as compared with 175 per cent

for non-farm incomes. Further-

more, Time says, "Historically, farm prices have plummeted at

least 50 per cent after a war; in

the years since the Korea peak,

the drop has been only 21 per

capita farm income has been

much less - only five per cent

- due to the fact that the farm

population has heavily declined.

To quote Time again, "Farmers

who remain have bigger farms

run them more efficiently and

And the drop in per

they are giving intensive attention. The political war will be largely fought over the issue of high rigid farm price supports, as urged by Democrats, versus the flexible support plan introduced by Secretary Benson and adopted by the Republican policy makers.

As with all political imbroglios, the oratory tends to generate more heat than light. So an objective look at the over-all agricultural picture is in order.

First of all, the basic economic structure on which the nation's farm structure rests certainly seems solid. Agricultural assets are estimated at \$163,000,000,000, including real estate, cash and investments, and other property. Farm debt, by contrast, is only about \$18,000,000,000. Reports from rural areas indicate that farmers are still buying machinery, automobiles, and other commodities on a big scale.

Over the years, the farmer's relative position has greatly improved. In 1915, according to a Nation's Business account, the average farmer made only 33 per cent of the income of the average non-farmer. By 1954 the ratio had risen to 54 per cent. It is still increasing. And, of course, farmers get additional benefits in the form of things they raise and consume them-

Coming down to the immediate present, Time magazine has succinctly summed up and analyzed the farm problem. It cites facts and figures, some of which are gloomy. Yet, Time finds, the picture is not as bad as it is painted - and "the price and parity statistics do not tell the

whole story." One thing that is often overlooked is that farmer's incomes shot up much faster and farther

are earning enough money to expand still more

Time marshals some other gratifying facts and opinions, mostly from official government sources. Farm land prices are rising. So are farmers' assets, which now average about \$22,000 a family. And the Department of Agriculture predicts that farm prices have reached bottom, and that there will be little further de-

cline this year. As for the price support issue, no one knows what the ultimate solution will be. But one thing is sure - the cost to the taxpayers, a classification which includes farmers along with everyone else, is enormous. The government spent \$2,100,000,000, a new high in supporting these prices in the last fiscal year alone. And the total expenditure in crop buying and loans has reached \$7,000,000,000.

Veterans

Vocational courses offered in Eastland and Romney. Bookkeeping, accounting, welding and institution onfarm training. Under H. R. Hill 4:06 recently passed effective Oct. 1, 1955, the Institutional-en-farm training offers new advantage; to Korean veterans. Veterans may be enrolled at any time without regard to semester.

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COUNTY LAND OWNERS BUSY IN TERRACE, FARM POND BUILDING

Many landowners of this area have recognized the true value of terrace system on their cropland and are now having terraces constructed or planning to terrace in the near future. Terraces and contour cultivation along with a good vegetative program do much to hold needed water where it falls and in case of heavyrainfall will do much to conduct runoff water to protected outlets in an orderly manner with minimum erosion or soil loss.

Soil Conservation Service technicians assisting the Upper Leon Soil Conservation District supervisors have worked with landowners in layout, supervision and construction and checking completed terraces and certifying these terraces to the A. S. C. Courty Committee for payment. The payment authorized by the County Committee in Eastland County is 50% of the cost not to exceed \$2.50 per hundred feet of constructed terraced, as the federal cost share.

Mrs. Sallie Bishop whose farm is located nine miles north of Gorman recently completed about 4,000 feet of terrace and a diversion terrace on her farm. Howard Wade, located seven miles north of Desdemonia, recently completed 11/2 miles of terrace on his cropland. A. A. Bennett, located six miles north of Gorman, completed over one half mile of terraces on his farm.

F. R. King, located 21/2 miles northwest of Ranger, built one mile of terraces on his farm. M. H. Weiser, located one mile south of Cisco, finished one mile of terraces on his farm. John Thurman of the Terrell Ranch, located 11 miles southeast of Eastland has built about 1,700 feet of

terraces and a large diversion terrace to divert water from the pasture around his cropland.

Gordon Woods built nearly two miles of terraces on his home place, located six miles northeast of Cisco. Roy Adams, located seven miles west of Cisco completed about 1/2 miles of terraces on his farm. F. M. Spurlen, supervisor of Zone 5 of the Upper Leon Soil Conservation District whose farm is located three miles east of Eastland, has established a water way to handle terrace outlet water and constructed over one mile of terraces.

Terrace lines have been run for M. S. James, located four miles north of Ranger; Irvin Pippen, 10 miles northwest of Cisco; D. F. Fambrough, located five miles northeast of Cisco; and M. A. Abel located in the Staff Community. The above terraces systems are now in progress of construction.

Mrs. C. K. Miller has recently requested terraces for her farm located seven miles northeast of Eastland. Terrace lines have also been run for Joe Barnett of the Carbon area.

Soil conservation service technicians and landowners have also been busy with farm ponds, including making necessary site selections to determine the soil will hold water, that adequate drainage is present and that the necessary spillway can be provided. After a suitable site has been found the ponds are staked, supervision of construction where needed and the final check to determine if the pond is a safe structure and meets all specifications. From this information total yards moved are calculated and this amount certified to the Coun-

ty A.S.C. Committee for payment. Farm ponds have been completed on farms on Burl Turner, Peter Clements, Jr., Elmer Berry, Carrol Michiel of the Mangum-Cisco area. Roy Maynard, T. R. Bryant and T. E. Self of the Carbon area have recently completed farm ponds on their farms. B. F. Hanna and F. M. Spurlen of near Eastland have completed farm ponds.

In the Ranger area, J. D. Rogers and Veta Perry have constructed ponds. J. H. Reynolds, Grover Cleveland, E. H. Ramsey and M. L. Perdue of the Cisco area have also finished their ponds. Ted Hall and S. S. Powers located north of Desdemona recently completed their farm ponds.

Mr. Hall also has marked a water way which he plans to establish to grasses in order that he can later terrace his cropland, after the waterway becomes stable. In the Mortan Valley area, E. A. White has completed his farm pond and Homer White is in the process of building his farm pond. John Love located in the Chaney community has finished a pond on his farm.

The supervisors of the Upper Leon SCD and the County ASC committee along with others have encouraged landowners to plant cover crops. No single practice can do more to conserve our soil and water, it was pointed out.

NEGRO HELD IN THEFT

Samuel Blake, a negro, was being held in the Eastland County jail last week on charges of stealing a pickup truck belonging to J. D. White of Cisco several months ago. The truck was recovered recently at El Paso, and Blake was arrested there and returned to the county by Sheriff J. B. Williams.

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