

West Texas has had many hard indications at this time are that the worst may be over. Drouth has there is now a different picture.

We cannot feel that God has been punishing us for our exces-e sins. nor do we think the rains ne as a special gift because of

goodness. he very fact that we got rain is enough for us. West Texas will soon forget the ravages of drouth, and business will be as usual. We not entirely killed. Make the most of this and you are sure to win.

Many of our troubles may be blessings in disguise, so when these shocks come don't go into a tangent and begin yelling murder. If you are right, God will not desert you, if you turn your troubles to him. He will clear your pathway, and lead you on to higher ground. Do not be satisfied to remain in the "Valley of Despond," and by all means do not make an attempt to seek vengeance, for God has said "Vengeance is Mine, I will repay." Just take your troubles to the Lord and leave them there.

This will apply to all of us, individually and collectively. It will apply to us as a nation and as a world. Most of our troubles begin when we try to take over the Lord's work. ...

Right here in Eastland, and at a time the drouth seemed to be at its worst, we were asked to announce a mass meeting. where people might gather and pray for rain. And while we believe in prayer, we refused to make such a call. We merely asked on e question—"Who will we get to pray?" We told the person asking the favor that we could not join because we didn't feel fit-we could not believe our faith was sufficient. This was no reflection on the Power of God, but on our weakness.

We needed rain, we wanted rain and we got rain when the Lord saw fit. And we are satisfied.

Russia seems to be handing out many concessions at this time, but we can't seem to feel too certain ers over there have lied in the Drilling Co. No. 1 Pat Dalton, reason why they should be trusted of Peter Miller Survey.

Both are slated for 1,800 feet. of Christ in that city.

world's most outstanding liars, a Hines-Strawn Field project five and criminals. He is now reaping miles southeast of Graford, 150 his reward, and ere many months he will be joined by other Russian leaders who will learn the smell of sulphur.

Next year is to be election year, and we are headed for many surprises. State politics will get considerable attention and we are wondering about the final outcome. Who will win in Texasthe Loyalist or the Regulars who supported Eisenhower? Personally we have a feeling that the loyalist group will go down in defeat. Those who voted for Eisenhower will continue to support him and

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Little Items Of **Local Interest**

Visitors in the A. O. Cook home at this time are his brother, L. A. Cook of Kilgore, son, Travis Cook of Edinburg, coach in that city, and daughter, Mrs. Rowene Hall

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Pullman and Saul returned Saturday from a vacation in Colorado. Henry says they spent considerable time at Estes Park, and that he caught up on resting. All report a pleasan.

W. E. (Bill) Brashier, who entered a Dallas hospital last week, underwent an emergency operation shortly after noon Monday, and is in a very critical condition according to information received here today. Several members of his family are with him at this

HOUSE HOT? For Chrysler Airtemp Coolers . . McGRAW MOTOR COMPANY Eastland, Texas

State's Retail Sales Increase **During Month**

Consumer buying in Texas remained at a generally high level in July despite a 2 per cent drop in retail sales and what the University of Texas Bureau of Busiknocks during recent years, though ness Research described as a cautious attitude among merchants.

Dr. A. Hamilton Chute, retailbeen the cause for most of our ing specialist for the bureau, reills, but with recent general rains ported that July sales were 7 per cent above July 1952, although slightly down from June.

Durable goods, chiefly motor vehicles, increased 9 per cent above the same month a year ago, Sales of all goods from January through July topped the same per-iod of 1952 by 8 per cent.

"Merchants are still cautiously have been somewhat crippled, but optimistic and carefully alert to national developments," Dr. Chute noted. "Production, employment and incomes are at historically come. The seasonal upturn for fall pull back.



WINNER-Gen. Ralph N. Osborne, right, congratulates Sgt. Hiroshi Miyamura as he informs the Sergeant that he high peaks. Although orders are has been awarded Congressional Medal of Honor. The Japslowing, a gradual downtrend anese-American of Gallup, N. M., who returned to freedom would still maintain business at at Inchon, Korea, Thursday, killed some 40 Chinese single-high levels for many months to handed April 24 after ordering his machine gun squad to

Oil Patch Reports-

New Discovery Is Potentialed

covery, one mile south of Rising weeks.

section 27, block 3, BBB&C survey, rumped 30 barrels of 40 22 for the week. The year's figgravity oil in 24 hours on a preliminary test through perforations of 6,792 still lags behind last year's 7,212. tions from 1,020 to 1,030 feet.

Two offsets and a new location were announced for neighboring pluggings from 179 to 107. Palo Pinto County over the week-

3 E. P. Costello is to be 3,650 on Saturday, feet from the southeast and 4,925 feet from the southwest lines of Peter Miller Survey, A-312, and 660 feet southwest of the same operator's No. 1 Costello, the discovery, which flowed 95.7 barrels of oil per day from 1,699 1/2-1,701 feet.

Northeast diagonal offset to the discovery is to be the Pat Dalton

Stirone & Ross, Graham, staked Old Joe Stalin was one of the orld's most outstanding liars, a Hines-Strawn Field project five assisted by Bro. John O'Dowd of feet from the southwest and 3,594 feet from the southeast lines of ed for 1,800 feet.

Eight oil discoveries in the Abi- her husband were married in lene district high-lighted Texas 1874 and came to Texas in 1878, drilling last week.

reported to the Railroad Commis- Dill, a farmer and cattleman, sion. This included three from the died in 1930. Refugio district, two from Wichita Survivors are two sons. Dr. J. Falls, one each from Midland, R. Dill and Frank Dill of Rising Houston, Corpus Christi and Kil- Star; two daughters, Mrs. Alice

Potential test was being run creased from 39 to 47, but none Monday at a Cross Cut sand dis- has been found in the last two

Star, in Eastland County.

O. M. Evans Drilling Company,
Fort Worth, No. 1 Della Bender,
total to 570, up 28 for the year. Oil completions totaled 222, up

Drilling applications numbered 466 for the week, down 2. Dry holes declined from 157 to 72 and

Crude oil allowables increased 7,594 barrels daily during the Dr. L. J. Hartnett, Graham, No. | week to average 3,182,728 barrels

Star's Oldest Citizen Laid To **Rest Monday**

Funeral services for Mrs. John past—lied when the truth would have served better, so there is no trees on why they should be truth would be tr noon at 2:30 o'clock at the Church

Bro. H. McDonald, minister of

of Comanche. Interment was in Rising Star Cemetery.

Born in Arkansas, Mrs. Dill and

settling at Brownwood. They mov-In all, seventeen new pools were ed to Rising Star in 1884.

Lamb of Rising Star and Mrs. Explorers this year have found Lula Bull of Eugene, Ofe.; 17 396 oil fields in Texas, 10 fewer than last year. Gas discoveries ingrandchildren.



NO DEATH TRAP FOR THEM- Three small children watch as a volunteer Salvation Army crew in Minneapolis, Minn., cart away an abandoned icebox. Spurred by the death of 11 children trapped in empty iceboxes across the nation during the last few weeks, the Minneapolis drive ht fire. The whole patch was bakhas so far netted over 100 of the cold-storage killers.

Last Rites For F. N. Hassen, 55 Held At Cisco

Funeral services for F. N. Hassen, 55-year-old prominent Cisco business man, were held Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the First Baptist Church in Cisco.

Mr. Hassen died Saturday at 3 a.m. in a Cisco hospital following a long illness. He had been in serious condition for about 10 days prior to his death.

Dr. H. M. Ward, pastor of the Cisco church, officiated during the final rites. Assisting were Rev. M. L. Agnew, pastor of New, Hope Baptist Church, and Rev. F. C. Bradley, pastor of East Cisco Baptist Church.

Burial was in the Moran Cemetery with Masonic Rites solemnized at the graveside.

Mr. Hassen, a native of Lebanat Moran, he had resided in Ran-ger for many years during the oil Of those coming some distance, set for another session. ger for many years during the oil

Following their marriage t h e couple came to America to make friends.

Survivors are his wife of Cisco: sen of Cisco; a daughter, Mrs. Houston and M. F. Manchester Chester Melton of Corpus Christi; ther-in-law, K. Dakour of Ham-

Pallbearers were A. L. Clark, Norman Houston, Frank Walton R. F. Walton, James Haynie and J. W. Slaughter.

Warmer Today And Wednesday

Partly cloudy and hot was the Eastland County vicinity's weather dish for Tuesday and Wednesday, according to the U. S. Weather Bureau.

Today's maximum mercury reading-around 95 degrees. And hottest level for Wednesday will be about the same, weathermen said. Tonight's low - near 70 de

Texas area. No important tempera-

AUGUST RAINS MAY BRING RECORD CROP

G. T. Crowell, veteran peanut grower recalled recently Rising Star's biggest gobber crop.
It was in 1944, he said. "It was

hot and dry and it looked as if everything would burn up in the early part of August. On Aug. 17. the rain came and we harvested the immense crop.'

The rains repeated this year-Aug. 17 through the following

BAKED SPUDS

ST. JOHN, Kan .- During heat wave straw was used by Mryl details: Ashworth to mulch a patch of potaloes, which were almost on top of the ground. The dry straw caug-

Retary Program Phone Strike Highly Enjoyed Phone Strike

though not unusual, as the ave age attendance for the past few

and he brought along a film portraying the virtues of the Federal Reserve Banking System.

The Federal Reserve Bank is a

kind of bank for bankers, and does much in stabilizing our national, state and local economy. The average man on the street

knows very little about the system, though it means a great deal to them. Bankers find its services very convenient and use its services very profitable. While it has a cold government, attitude on the surface, it is more or less flexible after you become acquainted

The program was well received, though most Rotarians and others met in St. Louis Monday and only feel they have a long way to go one issue remained unsettled af-

Olden Gets Good Rain On Monday

Approximately one half inch of ain fell in Olden about the middle of the afternoon Monday, although | ployed by Southwestern Bell Tele Eastland, only four miles west, didn't register a drop.

In the meantime "emerger didn't register a drop.

While Olden was not suffering from the lack of rain, the shower was welcomed as it will tend to improve growing crops and pas-

Anniversary of W. B. Starrs Is **Well Attended**

Several hundred friends of Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Starr, from Eastland and adjoining counties, braved the heat (106 degrees) last Sunday afternoon, and called at their home to help celebrate their on, moved to Cisco nine years ago 50th wedding anniversary. Eight from Moran where he had been in of the nine living children of Mr. business a number of years. Prior and Mrs. Starr were present. Rupto establishing a dry goods firm ert C. Starr of Spokane, Washing-

ger for many years during the oil Or those coming some of Rot- A company statement said are listed year boom era. At the time of his death Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Lotief of Rot- Southwestern Bell had "met all greater, Rogers said. boom era. At the time of his death he operated Hassen's Department Store in Cisco.

He was born in Bayssour, Lebanon, on August 15, 1898, and came to America in 1912. In Calaban district: inciland where he was married to Miss dentally. Cecil is now mayor of Nabeeha Dakour on February 22.

Rotan. While at the Starr home he company would protect Southwes

J. Walter Hammond, president er disputes which the firm feels of the Texas Farm Bureau Federatwo sons. Eddie and Junior Has- tion and his wife drove over from their home near Tye, Texas. Their presence was greatly appreciated, three grandchildren and a bro- as Mr. Hammond and Mr. Starr are friends of long standing. Mr. and

> The old friend and family physician, Dr. W. P. Lee, came to extend his congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Starr. Dr. Lee has a warm spot in the hearts of all the Starr family, and they were all pany's latest offer, would receive year from last June. To date we of Ranger. glad that he was able to be present. Dr. Lee is 93 years young. from \$1.50 to \$3 a week. This is a believe that the total requirement ed guests were Mr. and

Mr. and Mrs. Starr received many beautiful presents, which they greatly appreciate. Mr. Starr says, that all that is

needed now to make everything

age attendance for the past few months, figured on the per centage basis, finds the Eastland club standing in the high 90s. It was Guy Parker's program and he brought along a film per-

No Strike

Clause Asked By Company

speedy end of the big six-state Company strike today.

Labor and management group before they completely master its ter the four-hour negotiator; meeting of representatives of th company and the CIO telephon workers' union.

That lone contract issue-term ed a "protection of service" clause by the company but described a "no strike clause by union spokesmen—remains to be settled in the six-day strike of 53,000 CIO Communication Workers

calls" only service continued in the manually - operated Southarea - Ranger, Eastland, Cisco Breckenridge, Mineral Wells an Weatherford - and all six cities were virtually without telephon communication. The manually - operated

changes are hurt far worse than the city dial-operated units which continue to make local service pos sible. The metropolitan exchanges, handling long distance calls,

DALLAS, Aug. 22—Net in and natural aggregates, concrete pipe, handling long distance calls, parent company of Texas Light- and ready - mixed concrete.

A spokesman for the telephone

Monday after a little more than president, has announced in the report explained. four hours of talks with federal annual report.

The clause as interpreted by th enloyed meeting many of his old ern from so-called "quickie strikes—short notice walkouts or should be handled through established grievance procedures.

Frank P. Lonergan, vice presi-Mrs. Hammond stayed until after ance" would be subject to regular question is one of great concern. ble by Jackson Butane Co., Weasundown. Their extended visit was grievance procedure. He termed "Many others are greatly concerntherford; smaller deep freeze by al," and said that the firm's ins-

CWA employes, under the comweekly wage increases ranging bre ahead of this contract and we 50-cent increase in the minimum Mrs. offer made and rejected just be-"Buck" Myrick, who have been fore the strike began. Present may send it to Girls Ranch, Box wages range from \$35 to \$95 a | 109, Breckenridge, or to the treaweek.

> PATRONIZE YOUR HOME TOWN MERCHANTS!



ACHING FEET-Jo Feeney, attractive Southwest Bell Telephone Communication workers picket, cools her aching feet in front of downtown Dallas office as CWA gets western Bell exchanges in this set for what may be longest walkout for higher wages.

LIGHTWEIGHT AGGREGATE CO. SHOWS GOOD PROFIT FOR YEAR

Negotiations were recessed late of 95 per cent. Ralph B. Rogers,

conciliators. It was the first bar-gaining session since the strike be-compared with 68 cents for the gan last Thursday. No date was previous year, although number of shares outstanding at the end of A company statement said the fiscal year was 16 per cent 244 for 1952.

Sales for the year amounted to

workers in the Eastland County in Eastland, reached \$650, 100 the fiscal year ended May \$1, \$5,773,110, as compared \$1,53,807.078 for \$1952, an increase sometime this week. \$25,773,110, as compared \$1,53,807.078 for \$1952, an increase of \$551 per cent. The increased sales are largely attributable to acquisitions of going businesses, the

Rogers said current assets at the close of the year were \$2,628,865, as compared with \$2,414,205 for 1952; while current liabilities were \$913,551, compared with \$1,588,-

CONTRIBUTIONS FOR GIRLS RANCH STILL COMING IN

Considerable progress is being dent of CWA District 6, said, how- a communication from the found- from donors listed below: ever, that the clause presented a er, Claude Harris. Many gifts Curtis Casey of Truscott, 600 no-strike restriction in that it pro- have been made during recent pound fat steer for the deep freevided "any complaint or griev- weeks, but right now the money ze; Amana deep freeze made possithe company proposal "too gener- ed with us, and as a result are Alex Kime of Breckenridge. Also

> Poard at Austin calls for \$15,500 | Treadwell of Eastland, and anto be placed in escrow within one other bedroom by Felton Prashier will be raised within the year.

surer, Charles Brinkley, First National Bank, Weatherford. Eight, ter cent goes to the eserow fund, and twenty per cent into the ex-pense account," Mr. Harris stated

made at Girls Ranch, according to find an assortment of items and

aiding in a great way," Harris living room furniture from a friistance upon a no-strike provis-ion" is the "only thing prolong- "The contract with the Welfare nished by Dr. and Mrs. M. A.

> Livestock for the ranch are being moved in at this time. The Auction Sale at Eastland furnished a milch cow and calf; Audra L. Mitchell of Winters, Hereford cow and calf. Phelton Herrington, Ranger, two-year-old white (ce) Holstein heifer, and Frank Edleman, white facer heifer calf. Two embs were presented by Mrs. ordie Lambert, Ranger: Rev. Dub Brian, pastor Second Baptist hurch, Ranger, a quarter horse, our war old mare. Also 35 hons ave found their way to the ranch. lats, wheat and hay have been

iven in limite! quantities.

Some time ago someone called and offered a kitchen stove. The ame and address was misundertood, therefore the stove has not en located. The ranch is in need of a butane cook stove, refrieerator, Ching room furniture. furnipere room and office furniture. If you wish to come "min on ms write or call Rov, Claude H. arris. Breckenridge.

The Pueblos of New Mexico had o domesticated mammal sove the dog; and the turkey was their only

ECONOMY WINNER! McGRAW MOTOR COMPANY

Eastland, Texas

demesticated fowl.

Partly cloudy with widely scattered thunderstorms was forecast for the North Central and West Texas area. No important temperatures are as the control of the North Central temperatures are as the control of the North Central and West Texas area. No important temperatures are as the control of the North Central and West Texas area. No important temperatures are as the control of the North Central and West Texas area. No important temperatures are as the control of the North Central and West Texas area. No important temperatures are as the control of the North Central and West Texas area. No important temperatures are as the control of the North Central and West Texas area. No important temperatures are as the control of the North Central and West Texas area. To Affect Business

partment of Commerce said.

for any summer on record, with tion period. continuing strong through July.

ion in the steel and automobile intion in the steel and automobile industries were at near record rates in July. New construction spending in July totaled almost \$3,in July

"little immediate effect' 'on the nation's booming business, the De- in any month during the past year. order peak reached last September. Inventories continued to in In general, industrial activity con- crease in June in both manufact The department's monthly report on economic activity said of the year after allowance for business this summer is the best the usual slackening in the year to rise at a moderate rate and con-

private and governmental spending 2. Manufacturers' Sales — For their increased income. Higher continuing strong through July. the third consecutive month manuwages and salaries in non-agricul-The report, dealing mostly with facturers' sales in June were above tural employment have more than conditions in July, included these the 26 million dollar level. This offset declines in farm income. put together the biggest three 4. Employment - Civilian em

1. Industrial Activity-Production months on record for manufacturing playment continued in July at

FRECKLES AND HIS FRIENDS















VIC FLINT

By Michael O'Malley and Ralph Lane



















ALLEY OOP

By V. T. Hamlir









Port Isabel's By Merrill Blosser Causeway To Be Open, February

PORT ISABEL, Tex. — The concrete that is forming the bridge of the two-mile-long causeway connecting the south end of Padre Island with the Texas mainland is being mixed right where it poured - over the waters of the Laguna Madre.

A complete batching plant for the operation has been set up by



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The barge pulls into port only at night to be loaded with supplies

of cement, sand, water, and other of legislation in 1911 that led to Waco spent the week end here The causeway, which will open establishment of our natural for- with relatives and friends.

The father of Secretary of Commerce Sinclair Weeks was sponsor

Heldenfels Brothers of Corpus one of America's finest natural est reservations. John Weeks spon-Christi, the project's general contractor, on a 132-foot steel barge. recreation areas, will be placed in tractor, on a 132-foot steel barge. use next February. sored the bill as a U. S. Retresentative from New Hampshire.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Garrett of

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