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Whittlin'

By Dolph Moten

Bovina Volunteer Fire Department had a barbecue and ice cream supper Saturday night. Fire Chief Otho Hammonds says he demonstrated at the supper that he couldn't eat as much homemade ice cream as a lot of people, but that he could eat more than any one person.

Speaking of Hammonds, we had the rare privilege of going to a fire with the chief Sunday afternoon. The chief, you know, is the fellow who drives the bright red pickup that leads the way to fires.

It's a lot of excitement. You know when you leave you'll be the first to the fire . . . and fire are exciting even though they're sometimes tragic and always destructive. Probably that's what makes them exciting.

Anyway, with Chief Hammonds at the controls of that red pickup, we, including Deputy Henry Minter, roared east of town to the location of a wheatfield-truck fire . . . like a house on fire. From an excitement standpoint, the fire itself got to be almost incidental. Foremost in our minds was trying to hang on and trying to keep our window rolled down enough to keep Minter, who was in the middle, from griping about the lack of oxygen without being blown out.

For sheer riding pleasure the fire department's pickup leaves a lot to be desired. But after you get going about 90 or 100 miles an hour it isn't so rough. Or maybe you just don't notice it so bad.

We got to the fire first, all right. And the fire was put out in good time. Then, we noticed another disadvantage of riding in the chief's pickup—you're the last to leave. But we feel that getting there first offsets that.

Firemen have their troubles . . . just like everybody else. For instance, Minter was trying to call Muleshoe's department on the pickup radio and tell them the fire was under control and there was no need for them to come. The radio wouldn't work. At least, Minter wasn't able to talk to Muleshoe. He was able to pick up something about a stolen car at Waxahachie. And he was right when he pointed out that "That doesn't help much when you're trying to talk to Muleshoe."

The fire department is one of the best, and possibly the best, organizations we have. The community would be in sad shape without it. Most people realize that . . . only when they have a fire.

Troy Fuller, the Bovina Farm Chemical man, is a pretty fair checker player. And like most people who have as much ability as he does when it comes to moving the round disks around on the square spots, he plays quite often.

Troy isn't especially particular about his opponents. As a matter of fact, he'll even sit down across the board from a preacher. And therein lies the story which Rev. Jack Jeter, pastor of First Baptist Church, was telling at Lions Club last week.

The two--Fuller and Jeter--were engaged in a game with the preacher holding a one-checker edge in the battle. As the game progressed, Jeter says, Fuller began to talk about the church. He seemed interested--this is still according to Jeter.

It wasn't long until the preacher was more interested in the church conversation than he was the checker game, naturally, and it wasn't but a matter of seconds after that when Fuller jumped three of Jeter's men and had another game salted away in the victory sack.

The preacher yelled "Foul," but that didn't keep Fuller from leaning back in his chair and chuckling.

We've complained before about the lack of curbs and gutters on Third Street. It was a legitimate complaint and something still needs to be done about the

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Annual July 4 Picnic Saturday

POSTMASTER REPORTS--

Postal Receipts Show Increase

Postal receipts, reflecting Bovina's growth during the past fiscal year, showed an increase of \$2500.

The period involved was the '58-'59 fiscal year that ended Friday of last week. Gross receipts for 1958 were \$9251.69. Receipts for '59 totaled \$11844.39.

Gross receipts doesn't include all business transacted by the post office. Only the sale of stamps and second class mailing are counted. Total business transacted in one year usually totals between 80 and 90 thousand dollars.

The \$2500 difference between this year and last year, can't all be counted as an increase reflecting growth in city residents' business because the postal increase that raised postage on first class mail from three cents to four cents last summer is responsible for some of the total increase. However, the increase, even after allowing for the postage increase reflects a significant upward trend in business, according to Gene Ezell, postmaster.

All of the post office's 350 boxes are presently rented. Last year only 319 of the boxes were rented.

Ezell says a list of persons waiting to obtain a box must

Scouts Return

Five Bovina Boy Scouts returned from a Boy Scout camp on Pecos River near Carlsbad, N.M. Saturday night.

Scouts attending the camp were Ken Horn, Ronnie Sudderth, Philip Lloyd, Wynold Davies, and Philip Wilcox.

The boys received instruction in swimming, canoeing, rowing and life saving.

Baptist Youth Week Moves to Floydada

A group of Bovina young people will go to Floydada Wednesday to Plains Baptist Assembly as a climax to Youth Hobbies Week, sponsored by First Baptist Church of Bovina.

First five days of Hobbies Week were at the church with Rev. Jack Jeter leading the young people in Bible Study, followed by a special talk by a visiting speaker and recreation and handicraft.

Mrs. Charles Baldwin, wife of the Educational and Music Director of First Baptist Church of Friona, spoke Thursday night on "Love, Marriage, and Courtship." Monday night Ollie Damron, chief of police at Clovis, spoke to the group.

Reuben Nieves, assistant district attorney of Clovis, spoke Tuesday on "Youth, Now is Your Day."

Those going to the Floydada

Business Opening Planned

A new business will soon open in Bovina.

Mac and Vick Baca have leased and are remodeling the building just south of the Bank Building on Third Street.

The business will be a combination clothing and grocery store. They have been working on the building about two weeks and expect to be open for business soon. However, no definite opening date has been set.

The brothers have had difficulty hiring workers for the remodeling since most of them are busy with crops.

be maintained for a long period before more boxes may be added.

Best receipts for last year were from June to October. This in itself reflects increased business activity because the greatest postal business is usually conducted in December during the Christmas rush. Ezell believes the June to October increase was caused by cantaloupe harvest causing laborers to come here.

Ezell became postmaster in 1947. At that time, only one Bovina business sent statements through the mail. Now 12 years later, "More local firms send statements through the mail than I can count," Ezell says.

CITY WINS--

Bugs Bite Dust In Big Battle

The first battle of this year's war on mosquitoes was fought Wednesday night.

Armed with the city's sprayer and insecticide, Henry Minter and John Wilson met the bugs in the first large scale conflict of this year's campaign. Although greatly outnumbered, Minter and Wilson fought gamely and their superior weapons proved too much for the enemy. They apparently scored an overwhelming victory. Mosquitoes are scarce now and bodies of enemy soldiers have been numerous on city streets.

The mosquito army seemed to be larger and stronger this year. Frequent and heavy spring rains had prevented spraying and provided them with good living conditions. Wednesday night the inevitable happened and the clouds of mosquitoes were reduced to a few snipers that were behind the battle lines in closets and other places where the deadly spray couldn't penetrate.

Minter says city forces will not retire until the enemy has been completely wiped out. They will continue to strafe the enemy's camp about once a week until the frost ends the war for another winter.

So Skeeters, as the man on the radio says, "There's no use worrying, nothing's gonna turn out all right."



COME 'N GET IT---These folks are shown filling their plates during Bovina Volunteer Fire Department's barbecue supper Saturday night in American Legion Hall. From left to right, they are Fire Chief Otho Hammonds, Mike Horton, son of Bill Horton, third from left, R. L. Hopingardner, and Mr. and Mrs. James Taylor.

Small Crowd At Barbecue Saturday

Bovina volunteer firemen and their families had a barbecue and ice cream supper at American Legion Hall Saturday night.

A disappointing crowd was on hand. Only 25 of an expected 75 adults were present, Fire Chief Otho Hammonds reports. Lack of attendance was blamed on the busy time of year.

Following the meal, those present visited and played dominoes.

Saturday Semi-Holiday In Bovina

Saturday, July 4, another 1959 holiday on a Saturday, will find most businesses here closed.

Food stores, however, will remain open as they did Memorial Day. Merchants are this year operating without an agreement on what days to be closed and each businessman makes his own decision.

All seven-day-a-week firms are expected to keep their doors open Saturday as usual.

Visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jimmie Charles are Mrs. Charles' nephews, Barry and Danny Frost. They are from Amarillo and will return home the last of this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Herb Martin and boys, Jim and Jerry, of Milwaukee, Wis., visited last week in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Litscher and children. Vicki and Corkey Litscher returned to Milwaukee with the Martins to spend the summer.

Jerry Loflin, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Loflin, was home for a visit the past week. He returned Saturday to Fort Ord, Calif. where he is stationed with the army.

TO FRIONA 10 - 6--

Little Leaguers Lose; Even Record at 2-2

Bovina Little Leaguers lost their second game in a row Tuesday to McCaslin Lumber of Friona, 10-6, to even their season record at 2-2.

For the first time this season, Bovina failed to score in the first inning and when McCaslin scored three times in the last of the first, Bovina was behind to stay.

The game was played at Friona.

Ronnie Glasscock started Bovina's scoring in the second. He doubled to left and two errors by McCaslin infielders allowed him to score.

McCaslin scored the three

Mr. and Mrs. Warren Morton and Janice spent the last of the week at Rock Springs where they had a family reunion with his family. They returned to Bovina Sunday.

Visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Crook for the past week were Mrs. Crook's sisters. They are Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Allen of Florence, Colo., and Mrs. C. O. McCaslin of Woodward, Okla.

first-inning runs off no hits, two errors, and a fielder's choice. They managed three more in the second off two hits, a fielder's choice and two bases on balls.

Bovina rallied for two runs in the third to make the score 6-3. Carl Odom and Randy Jones scored when Glasscock banded out his second double of the day. Gene Pruitt advanced Glasscock to third with a single, but both were left stranded when Billie Charles grounded out-second to first.

Bovina pitcher, Carl Odom, who lost his second game against two victories, retired three McCaslin batters in order in the last of the third. But after Bovina scored two more runs in the first of the fourth, the roof fell in during Friona's half of the fourth as they scored four runs on two hits and two walks.

The two Bovina runs came on a walk, an error and a hit by Odom.

Glasscock scored the final Bovina tally. He singled for his third hit of the day, moved to

third as the pitcher threw out Pruitt, and scored on Charles' hit. Charles was thrown out, third baseman to catcher, as he tried to score on Roland Murray's grounder.

Once again in the fifth, Odom retired the side without allowing a hit or run.

Bovina batters went down meekly in the last inning, as they failed to get the ball out of the infield.

Bovina out hit Friona six to five, but bases on balls and errors proved to be the difference.

Second baseman Jones and catcher Murray teamed up to make a fine defensive play in the second. With runners on first and third, Friona attempted a double steal. Murray fired the ball to Jones, who had drawn in from second base. Jones' return peg to Murray nailed the Friona runner who tried to score from third.

Ronnie Glasscock had three for three including two doubles to lead Bovina batters.

Next game will be Thursday afternoon at four at Farwell,

TO WHEATFIELDS--

Firemen Called Twice Sunday

Bovina Volunteer Fire Department joined Friona's department in answering a pair of calls to burning wheat fields Sunday afternoon.

First of the calls--about 12:30--was to Deon Awtry's farm five miles east and two south of here. Some 15 acres of 60 bushel wheat were destroyed and extensive damage was done to Awtry's '58 International truck.

Firemen arrived in time to keep the truck from being destroyed. Also, the load of wheat which the truck was hauling was saved with little damage being done to it.

At the time of the fire, wind was blowing from the northwest. The fire started in the southeast corner of the large field. This is credited with keeping much more wheat from being destroyed.

The fire was started from

Mrs. Leslie McCain attended a tea honoring Miss Linda Truelock Monday in Littlefield.

Bennie McCain, son of Mr. and Mrs. Leslie McCain, celebrated his fourth birthday Tuesday, June 29. Guests were Mrs. McCain's sisters, Mrs. James Sheet, and children, and Mrs. Eldon Morris, and children. Both of Levelland.

Plan Contests, Games, Music

Sixth annual Fourth of July picnic will spread itself in City Park Saturday afternoon, complete with ball games, the ducking board, music and contests. Lions Club will again sponsor the festivities. Lions are hoping for a break in the string of bad weather that has hampered four of the last five celebrations.

A soft ball game will feature the Fats, whose captain is Bedford Caldwell, against the Leans, captained by Leon Grissom. Dolph Moten and Bedford Caldwell make up the baseball committee. Also Little Leaguers will play. Their game begins at 4:30 with the Fats-Leans affair following at 6.

C. R. Brandon and Harold Hawkins were appointed to arrange a musical program. They

have asked Doris Wilson to present a program, made up mostly of her pupils.

Tentative plans for the program include numbers by the Wilsonaires Trio, composed of Janice Leake, Marilyn Brandon and Brenda Jones; duets by Harriette and Billie Charles; and solos by Kay Looney, Charlotte Hromas, Patricia Crawford and Cella Berry.

Harry Charles will be in charge of making lemonade. Lions Club will furnish drinks for everyone and each family will bring a basket lunch as in the past.

Gene Ezell and Ovid Lawlis were the planning committee for this year's celebration. They chose Warren Morton and Leon Grissom as masters of ceremonies. Bud Crump and Tom Caldwell were appointed to get a ducking board and secured one.

Playing for the Leans in the softball game will be Grissom, Harry Charles, Jimmie Charles, Scooter Queen, Mark Charles, Tom Bonds, Henry Minter, Glendon Sudderth, Tom Caldwell, Pat Kunselman, Vernon Estes, Warren Morton, Otho Hammonds, Jimmie Clements and Joe Moore.

The Fats will field Caldwell, Bobby Wills, C. R. Brandon, Aubrey Brock, Troy Fuller, Joe Wilson, J. E. Sherrill, Warren Embree, Alvin Glasscock, Ovid Lawlis, D. C. Looney, Gene Ezell, Art Mast, D. R. Bushnell, Lou Mast, H. N. Turner, Jack Jeter, Lee Kimbrough, Harry Charles, Tom Caldwell, C. L. Marshall, Roy Crawford, Carl Ware, Penny Anderson, Paul Jones, Howard Ellison, Euel Hart.

There are some conflicts in the rosters since the captains had difficulty deciding who was fat and who was lean. These conflicts will be worked out at game time Saturday. Others interested in playing should be prepared to do so.

Billie Sudderth and J. W. Wright are in charge of contests.

Horse Mauls Man

A horse running loose in the vicinity of Wilson's Super-Market knocked down and trampled Bob Williford shortly before noon Wednesday as he cut weeds in his front yard.

Williford was taken to Parmer County Community Hospital in Friona about noon Wednesday and was released Thursday.

The horse reared on his hind legs and struck Williford in the back and head knocking him to the ground. Williford was unconscious for a few minutes and neighbors moved him to his house.

Doctors in the Friona hospital said cartilages in Williford's back were pulled when the horse struck him.

They expect the injury to take three to four weeks to heal.

Activity Light In Law Offices

There was light activity for Parmer County peace officers during the past week.

James Hanson, 21, from Arkansas, was picked up by Sheriff Chas. Lovelace in Farwell last Saturday. He was wanted for car theft in Andrews.

Joe Cooper, 23, Muleshoe, was arrested in Friona Saturday night and booked for transporting and possessing liquor. He pled guilty before County Judge Loyde Brewer Monday morning and was fined \$100 and costs.

Ed Duke and George Reynolds

Methodists Schedule Activities

Youth Activities Week, sponsored by Methodist Youth, is scheduled for July 19-24.

The week's activities are still being planned. A special entertainment feature will be presented each night in addition to recreational activities, food, worship services will end the program each night.

Special activities of the week will be a swimming party and hayride.

Committees are still in the process of planning details. Don Caldwell is president of Methodist Youth Fellowship and oversees the working of the committees. Gene Rea is Youth Superintendent.

Nita Beth Estes is program and worship chairman. Danny Morton is co-chairman, Food chairman is Janice Richards, and Virginia Rea is co-chairman.

Verna Marie Estes and Barbara Rea are in charge of special features.

Brenda Jones and Patsy Richards are chairman and co-chairman respectively of the fellowship committee.

Penny Lloyd and Joy Redden will handle publicity.

All young people are invited to attend.

Mrs. Ray Phillips, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Moody, is visiting this week in the home of her husband's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Odell Phillips of Odell.

Her husband who is in the army, will meet her in Odell and the couple will go from there to Fort Chaffee, Ark.



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Independence Day

The Second Continental Congress that met in Philadelphia in 1776 contained men of initiative and action who weren't afraid to take a risk, to sacrifice a soft way of life for a difficult one--for this reason, Saturday will be a holiday throughout the United States.

For most it will be a weekend for getting away, doing something different, for having fun. But few will remember why they get the day off.

Thomas Jefferson was only 33 years old when the Declaration of Independence was adopted. His pen is credited with putting the declaration together.

"We hold these truths to be self-evident; that all men are created equal. That they are endowed by their creator with certain unalienable rights; that among these are life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness..." This is part of the declaration that nearly everyone can quote from memory. The rest of it, though not so well known, is just as important. The declaration as a whole sets up the idea that men are created equal; that a government's chief concern is to protect the people; and that the government's authority comes from the governed; and that people have a right to alter or abolish the government when it doesn't follow the above ideas.

But the Fourth of July has become just another holiday to many Americans. Perhaps if we could look back 187 years ago to that hall in Philadelphia where the committee wrote the declaration, if we could see and understand the conditions, we wouldn't take the holiday so lightly. Maybe we would at least think about how lucky we are to live in a country that had forefathers with such courage and foresight as we drive to that favorite fishing hole or picnic place. Maybe we would take time out from the day's recreation to think about the men who were willing to go on record as being traitors to the British crown when it seemed that they would surely end up at the end of a rope.

Benjamin Franklin came up with the quote of the day as the signers were attaching their names to the document; "We must all hang together, or we will surely hang separately."

It probably didn't sound nearly so humorous then as it does now. Another Fourth of July is coming this weekend, 187 years after the declaration was signed. It won't be too much different from those of the past. Maybe a few more people will be killed on the highways. This year, couldn't we think more about why we have an Independence Day celebration than what we will do this holiday?

V.S.

"Other Guys"

Last year during the Fourth of July Holiday 655 people were killed in accidents. That was 655 "other guys". "It can't happen to me," people tell themselves as they take that foolish chance to save a few minutes on the trip to the lake, or to grandmother's.

Three hundred and seventy "other guys" died in traffic, 192 by drowning and 93 in miscellaneous accidents. Not one of those 655 thought an accident could or would happen to him.

No one is immune to accidents, except to the extent of his own caution or common sense.

This Fourth of July--like last year's--will be a three-day weekend holiday for millions of Americans. National Safety Council has warned that motorists will clog highways and funseekers will jam parks, lakes and picnic grounds. The time will be ripe for some kind of accident.

So remember when you drive "just a little over the limit" or break some other traffic rule that the "other guy" is all of us.

Don't become part of the grim holiday statistics this Independence Day.

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DANNY MORTON OWNER--

'38 Dodge Still Going Strong In 21st Year

BY VERNON STEWART
Danny Morton owns a car that is older than he is. No, he isn't a baby... the car is a near-antique.

The car in question is a 1938 Dodge that his grandfather bought new. The car is 21; Danny is 19.

His grandfather gave the car to Danny five years ago. The older Morton lived in California then and Danny lived in Texas. Danny went with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Warren Morton, to get the Dodge and it made it back to Arizona under its own power before they decided to buy a tow bar and pull it the rest of the way behind the Morton family car.

Since Danny has had the car, he has overhauled the engine twice and installed a heater and radio. The radio even has a back-seat speaker, just like modern gas hogs.

The Dodge is powered by a 45-horsepower six cylinder engine and gets about 14 miles per gallon of gas.

Danny's father, who is superintendent of Bovina Schools, used the car when he was dating the girl who later became Mrs. Warren Morton. Now, 21 years later, Danny used it for dating. He also drives it about every-

where else he wants to go. He says it is quite dependable. The speedometer shows 100 m.p.h. but Danny says 75 is the fastest he has ever driven it.

The car was comparable to a '59 Cadillac when Danny's grandfather bought it back in '38. "It was one of the first metal top automobiles in Tulsa," a town in New Mexico where the Morton family lived.

The car still has its original paint finish. Although it is faded and shows undercoating in spots, it still testifies to the car's once lustrous appearance.

It is a four-door sedan and has the luxurious, but faded interior that was typical of the "finer" cars of the late 30's and early 40's.

The radio and heater Danny installed give the Dodge modern conveniences but don't make the seats any wider. The front seat has room for two and the back seat can squeeze in three compared to the three and four that front and back seats of today's cars can seat.

Danny plans to keep driving the car for a while; then get another one and place the Dodge in storage. He plans to restore it someday when it becomes a real antique.



Maybe it's not an antique now, but it has been around 21 years. How many of today's cars will be running in 1970?

The winds and waves are always on the side of the ablest navigators.--Gibbon.

Corner on Cotton
BY BOB COLLINS

Think you won't be affected by crop support limitations recently voted by both houses of Congress because you are a "small" cotton farmer? ... we'll bet you are wrong ... first, limitations on loans can seriously disrupt orderly marketing processes and depress prices, forcing many small farmers to use the loan when they would not otherwise (and this could mean more cotton will go into the CCC rather than less) ... it would work like this: Loan limits could force the sale of much of the crop as it comes from the fields since it would be entirely unsupported--his money immediately ... of course storage charges and interest are paid ... this selling the unsupported crop as it comes from the field could drive down the prices and all cotton farmers could get hurt ... of course, the ideal thing is to have a cotton crop that stands on its own feet without having or needing supports, but it can't be done this way ... in the past not so disturbing disruptions of established commercial procedures have started tragic chain reactions in our over-all economy ... the politicians are playing with fire.

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HERE THURSDAY--

Bovina Splits Pair With Farwell Teams

Bovina split a doubleheader with Farwell here Thursday, the Pee Wees taking the first, 4-3, and the Little Leaguers dropping their first game of the season, 6-5, in the second.

Lee Terry was the winning pitcher for Bovina in the opener. He allowed no hits and had a shutout going into the last inning, when bases on balls let in three Farwell runs.

Mike Grissom got the Pee Wees off to a good start, leading off with a triple. He scored when Rex Cumpton hit a grounder to the second baseman. Cumpton then scored on a hit by Terry.

Terry's wildness almost cost Bovina the lead in the fourth as he walked five Farwell batsman and gave up a hit allowing all three Farwell runs.

In the second game, Bovina pitcher Carl Odom pitched shut-out ball in the first three innings before giving up two runs.

Neither team scored in the second. Bovina counted two in the third to take a 4-0 lead.

In the third and fourth in the fifth, Bovina began its scoring in the first. Billie Charles singled and came home on Ronnie Glasscock's triple. Glasscock

scored when Curtis Griffin reached base on an error.

Bovina widened the gap to 4-0 in the third, scoring two runs on singles by Glasscock, Odom and Roland Murray.

Farwell broke into the scoring column in the third with two runs on two bases on balls, two hits and an error.

The four-run Farwell fifth proved too much for Bovina to overcome. Coach Bob Will's crew came fighting back with one run in their half of the fifth on Glasscock's homer but failed to score in the last of the sixth.



ROLAND MURRAY TAKES A SWING at the ball in a Little League game with McCaslin Lumber of Friona there Tuesday afternoon. Carl Odom was pitcher in the defeat which left their season record at 2-2.

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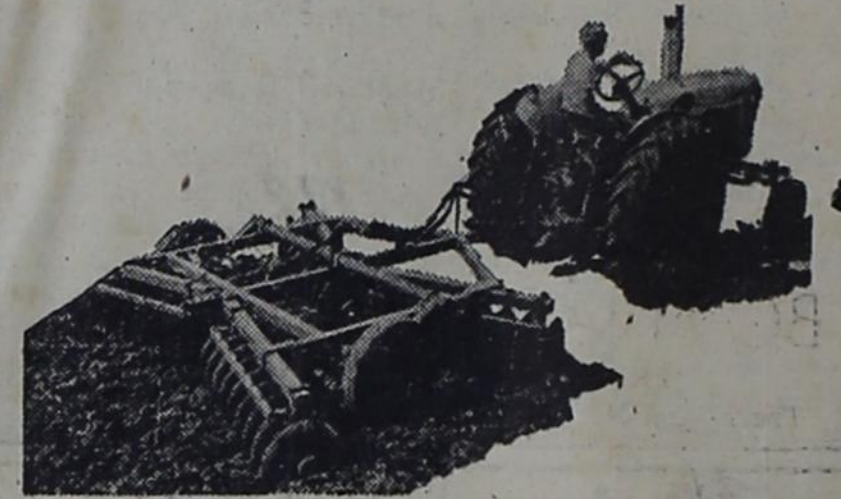
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Hobbies, Recreation Head List Of Summer Activities

Water sports, camping and working in the yard head the list of women's summer activities, a poll of Bovina women shows.

Mrs. Paul Jones listed yard work as her favorite summer occupation, but she rates watching Little League baseball games a close second. Her son, Randy, plays on Bovina's team. Cooking in her backyard also takes up a good amount of her summer leisure time.

Her husband and 10-year-old Randy share her enthusiasm for cooking out and going to ball games but neither is sold on working in the yard.

Mrs. Jones says summer is

her favorite season because it furnishes her more time for the thing she likes.

Mrs. Bobby Englant also likes to work in the yard. She derives her satisfaction from seeing things grow. "My family takes spells when they share my interest for working in the yard, especially when it becomes green and the flowers start getting pretty," she said.

She has no season preference, but she said that spring and summer give her the most enjoyment of all the seasons.

Among the summer activities of Mrs. O. H. Jones is working in the yard. She also enjoys sewing and canning. In fact,

says Mrs. Jones, "I have been canning cherries and strawberries all week."

Summer is Mrs. Jones favorite season because "everything is so green and pretty." She just likes to get out of the house for a while.

"I just enjoy staying home for a change," says Mrs. Roy Dodson, school tax assessor-collector. "I work and don't have much extra time." She says that she loves to take a picnic lunch and go swimming. Mrs. Dodson and her family like to dress up and eat out for a change.

"Most of the things my family does are during vacation," says Mrs. Dodson, "because it is so hard for us to get off any other time."

Mrs. Dodson said summer was her favorite season because you can do so many more things.

Mrs. Jimmie Charles is among the women who said water sports were their favorite summer activities. She became interested in water sports when her husband bought part interest in a boat. They have been going to the lake ever since and water skiing, swimming and picnicking.

Mrs. Charles and her family go to the lake as much as four times a week when the lakes around Bovina are full, and Jimmie isn't working.

Summer is Mrs. Charles' favorite season because "who ever heard of anyone swimming and skiing when it is 50 below zero."

Another swimming enthusiast is Mrs. James Roach. "I have been swimming ever since I could jump off a barrel," she said. Although her family hasn't started going swimming much this year, "when the fever hits us we'll go two or three times a week," she says.

Mrs. Roach loves swimming but summer is not her season. She likes fall best because it is much cooler.

An unusual summer activity of Mrs. J. D. Kirkpatrick's is volleyball. Brotherhood of the Baptist Church bought a volleyball last year and she and her husband have been playing ever since. They play at the church with several other couples.

"Fall is my favorite time of the year because then we cut our crop and have some money," says Mrs. Kirkpatrick.

Picnicking and camping out is a favorite with the Art Mast family. When Mrs. Mast was asked how much they get to go camping she said, "Not nearly enough." Her family usually picnics about once a week and camps out once a month.

Bovina's women have many different activities during the summer but they have one thing in common—if they could, they would participate in them more

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Harvest Harrassed But Slogs Along

Wheat harvest in the Parmer County area is still continuing to slog along, spurring ahead in spots where drying conditions permit, and stalling in fields where showers prevent cutting.

It has been one of the most harrassed harvests in modern farming times--probably the toughest since large-scale irrigation came into being, at any rate.

In spite of extensive hail damage--up to 100 percent in certain sections--farmers find they have from good to excellent returns from their fields when they finally get them cut.

With afternoon and evening showers practically a daily event, wheat operators have not spared a minute in getting their combine work done. The moment the grain and the fields become dry enough, they are in them with machines operating at capacity. They continue at this pace until conditions become too damp, and then wait for the next

dry spell. That has meant a lot of nighttime work, plus work right through Sundays for many farmers.

Discounting the crop-reducing effect of the severe hailstorms which came just as the crop was maturing out, County Agent Joe Jones is convinced that this is the best irrigated wheat crop on record for this area.

Last year was a good crop, and yields were put at around 37 bushels for an average. This year the yield is expected to go up to or perhaps even over 40 bushels for an average--a nice increase.

"Just a lot of farmers are telling me they are making 50 to 60 bushels of wheat this year," says Jones. "That is really going some."

Farmers are becoming more skillful at getting top yields of wheat under irrigated conditions. They water and fertilize adequately and at the right time. Also, the weather was

cooperative this spring for maturing the crop remaining fairly damp and cool through the most of the late wheat growing season.

The county agent is again urging farmers to make good use of their stubble by putting it to work to improve their land. Increasing the organic content of the soil by plowing under and decomposing stubble has been established in recent years as one of the most fruitful of all farm practices.

However, it's one that does not sell itself on a short-term basis. It needs to be considered as a permanent part of the farming program to be fully effective. For example, it does not pay big dividends the year that such work is undertaken, as would be the case with irrigation water, or commercial fertilizer.

The thing to keep in mind, points out Jones, is that organic matter is the basic ingredient of any soil, and that using our crop residue is the only way we can maintain adequate organic content in the land.

"Applying organic matter in commercial form over a large area is an impossibility because there is no large source of organic matter, such as we have available for commercial fertilizers. Even if this source were available, it would be too expensive to apply on large acreages," he says. "Devoting a very large acreage of land to green manure crops seems unjustifiable, so it makes sense to use our natural organic resources."

"The sensible thing to do is to use the stubble from our wheat and grain sorghum through the years so that we can maintain the organic matter in our soil."

The heavy wheat stubble that remains after the grain has been combined off always presents a problem. This is especially the case with irrigated wheat, where the straw supply is enormous compared with what used to be common under dryland conditions. Agricultural authorities are

unyielding in their plea to farmers to not destroy this valuable straw by burning. That is the easiest, quickest, but worst way of getting rid of it, they point out.

Putting the straw back into the land and adding fertilizer to speed decomposition is a far better method of handling the crop by-product, and is a practice that will keep paying dividends through the years as highly productive soils are maintained.

Jones this year recommends that farmers fertilize first and then turn their straw under. This practice will avoid the tough job of applying fertilizer when the straw is long and tangly, he says.

Some form of nitrogen is necessary says the agent to help the stubble to break down. The most popular form of fertilizer with high nitrogen content is anhydrous ammonia, but any nitrogen form of fertilizer will do the job.

"Every bit of wheat straw needs to be in contact with some of that fertilizer," cautions the agent in explaining how to make the process attain greatest efficiency.

Timeliness is important also. For example, it takes a certain amount of time for the stubble to decompose, even with the aid of nitrogen type fertilizer. That means that the earlier the process begins, the earlier it will be completed.

In the case of wheat following wheat, which is a common practice on the Plains, this becomes more significant because the nitrogen that is tied up with the stubble will become available for new plants only when decomposition is completed.

Conditions for the most rapid decomposition are ideal at this time, points out Jones. Moisture and temperature are available, and if the straw is plowed under into a bed of nitrogen, the breaking down begins at once.

Ability doth hit the mark where presumption over-shooteth and diffidence falleth short. --Nicholas Cusa.



THE WHEAT'S GONE, but the memory lingers on, as the saying goes, and so does this big crop of stubble. Jerald and Duane Curtis, above, look things over and wonder what it'll

take to get all that residue back into their land so it will do them some good in years to come. Both are convinced that taking the time, trouble, and expense of utilizing a big straw crop like this one pays dividends.

Brothers Get Top Sandy Land Yield

Duane and Jerald Curtis, who farm southeast of Farwell, have rung the bell with some wheat yields this year that exceed anything ever before obtained in their area.

The land of their area, which is a couple of miles from Lariat, is on the sandier side. Not deep, loose sand, but a good deal sandier than the typical clay soils that comprise about two-thirds of the irrigated Plains.

This type soil is usually thought of as being ideal cotton land. It is suitable for growing almost any crop, but excels in cotton production. Usually, farmers don't think about high small grain yields in this type soil.

However, the Curtis brothers this year have demonstrated that good wheat yields in sandy land are obtainable. They have combined some wheat that will stand against the yields of the heaviest soils of the Plains.

Leading the yields on their place this year was about 30 acres of Crockett variety, some of which was certified and some of which was registered. A seven-acre patch was their best, and this certified Crockett turned out an 84-bushel yield.

They also had 90 acres of Concho which yielded an average of 63 bushels an acre after an insurance adjustment of 19.5 percent on 51 acres had been made, and the remainder damaged roughly 10 percent.

at the Chillicothe Experiment Station. The seed was planted September 20, following a rain of about one and a half inches.

They had made their plans for getting the crop in. It went on "clean" ground, part of which was hailed - out cotton (last July 4) and part of which was summer-fallowed. They had previously flat-broke the land and applied 60 pounds of anhydrous ammonia. Two hundred pounds of 0-20-0 were put on just before planting. They credit this application of phosphate to a large part of their big yield.

No pre-irrigation was required, and no water was applied until December. The wheat was not grazed. Seeding rate was 60 pounds per acre.

Another irrigation was made the first week in February. The crop matured rapidly and was combined the second week in June. It was some of the earliest wheat to go to the elevators of the area. The Curtis are impressed with this early maturity.

They also like Crockett's standability. It has a good stiff stalk and does not grow as tall as some other varieties, they say. They had considerable

lodging in their Concho, for example, which was shoulder high. The Crockett also was noticeably easier to thresh, they report. "It separated easily and ran clean. We didn't have a bit of trouble even where the

yields were high." After their good success in producing high wheat yields this year, the Curtis say they feel they've learned some things from their experience, and are setting their goals on greater production in years to come.

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You will soon be hearing a lot about the Falcon, the Corvair and the Valiant. These are the names chosen by the Big Three automobile manufacturers for their new small cars. They should be on the market before 1961.

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In the U. S. A. this year more than 339 million acres will be planted to grain, including corn, barley, oats, sorghums, soybeans, flaxseed, potatoes, hay, peanuts, peas, rice, tobacco, beans and sugar beets.

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Smith, trembling: "Oh! No Sir."

Boss: "Isn't it true you've been praying for a raise?"

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lons. However; the American is a big drinker--he drinks 35.9 gallons of milk; 28.1 gallons of coffee; 15.1 gallons of beer; and 1.2 gallons distilled spirits and 14.2 gallons tea.

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Little Philip Dugins has been visiting with his paternal grandparents in Oklahoma and has decided he will grow up to be a farmer. In fact, he already thinks he is a farmer because he tells his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Baker Dugins, that he drove the truck and the combine for his granddaddy.

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George and Don Froehner have been visiting Rhea and Wesley Foster this week. Their mother, who was hospitalized at Plainview a few days, is home again in Dimmitt. Nolan Froehner, their father, was band director in Friona several years ago.

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Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Fields will be leaving on their vacation soon. That is, Mrs. Fields says they will be leaving IF the boys don't have a baseball game, IF the daughter gets home from camp, and IF they can get all their bills paid in time. Sometimes vacations are more fun when it is about six months before time to start.

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Cotton Looks Sick, Says County Agent

The Parmer County area's hard-luck cotton crop, after being buffeted by hail, rain, winds, static electricity, insects, and seedling disease, is still looking tough, reports County Agent Joe Jones this week.

"Things have sure got our cotton whipped down," he says, indicating that "Our cotton as a whole looks about as sick as cotton could look for this time of year."

Farmers got off to a rip-roaring start two months ago, when many got handsome stands in the last part of April and the first part of May. But the weather changed prospects for most of those happy farmers.

Quite a bit of the crop has been planted in early June, which is considered an emergency situation, and as if that didn't make things rough enough, the cotton is still having a hard time rowing off.

The main deterrent at the moment—at least one thing that farmers can usually control—is insect infestation. Thrip damage has been severe, and insect population has been very heavy. This has kept the young plants from "coming on," as they should, and with time at such a premium, has been a disturbing factor to many farmers.

"A lot of farmers are finding that their control measures aren't effective at all," says the agent, "and it seems that they have about as many bugs left after spraying as they did before they sprayed."

He called attention again to the recommended practice of adding malathion to ground spray formulas, or/and parathion in the case of plane-applied chemicals.

Toxaphene and dieldrin alone are not giving effective control,

he says, and the additive is required to give the mix enough "punch" to get the job done. The agent points out that he has handy insect control guides in his office that are available for the asking.

Adding malathion makes the chemicals more expensive, but money spent on chemicals that

are not doing the job turn out to be even more expensive, the agent is convinced.

His recommendation to farmers is to strengthen their formulas as suggested and to check the field before spraying and then check it again after about 24 hours to see what kind of a job they are getting done.

NEWS FROM THE FARM BUREAU

The rain June 22, rather than keeping members from the weed committee meeting, brought them in. And even if you may be one who does not think the activities of this committee are important, we are sure if you knew what all they do, you would at once change your mind.

For instance, this is the fourth year they have plotted and marked for treatment bindweed patches on state highway rights - of - way and railroad rights - of - way. And this is the fourth year they will have been treated. Can you imagine how thick bindweed would be if this committee had not been taking this action each year? Because remember that it is generally a new patch of weeds in each location each year; not re-treatment of the same old patches.

The men plotting highway weed patches will report to Highway Maintenance Boss, Lloyd Killough, the morning of July 20, and his men will begin treatment. Those plotting them on RR properties will report at the next committee meeting in the Farm Bureau Office July 27.

Those attending the last meeting were: Raymond Schuler, chmn; J. T. Jones, Gus Schlabs, R. D. Dale, directors; Vernon Symcox, secretary, and County Agent Joe Jones; ASC Office Mgr. Prentice Mills, and Friona State Bank Agriculture Advisor, Bill Nichols. If you have any opinions regarding this program, you are welcome to attend the next meeting, or talk to members in the meantime.

Do you know what Texas Farm Bureau did for you in the current Texas Legislative Session? Here it is in brief:

1. Supported 14 bills that passed.
2. Supported 15 bills that failed to pass.
3. Opposed 26 bills that failed to pass.
4. Opposed 1 bill that passed.
5. Amended one bill that passed.
6. Farm Bureau supported increased appropriations for five agricultural agencies, and four of them received increases.

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If you would like to see the government get out of your farming business as fast as possible without dropping you flat without a chance for survival, you either are, or would make, a good Farm Bureau member. If you think more of your freedom than you do of a few more inflated dollars temporarily, join.

To date, no one has claimed the five dollars for the meaning of SUNFED, which we offered in this column last week. We have a vague idea of what it is, but of our embarrassment, we have been unable to relocate the one article regarding it since we printed the offer. We have also been unable to locate anyone, so far, who can tell us what it is. We are beginning to believe there are few people who could pass a test on giving the names of United Nations subsidiaries designated by initials. We are also strongly in favor of Tom Anderson's suggestion expressed in Farm and Ranch last week, when he said, "Give Red China a seat in the United Nations. Give them our seat."

CONSIDER THIS: For there shall be no reward to the evil man; the candle of the wicked shall be put out. Proverbs 24:20

THE HAPPY HOMEMAKER

BY JUNE FLOYD

Teaching and practicing safety is part of every homemaker's job. Since at this time of year millions of Americans are vacationing, it would be well for each one of us to give some serious thought to making our highways as safe as possible.

During the coming weekend the accident rate will be high, but with some careful consideration on the part of every motorist this rate would be lowered.

In a recent release from the Texas Department of Public Safety some points are given as a guide to drivers to help them fit their driving to the pattern of holiday traffic.

1. Keep alert. Develop defensive driving. Study the road ahead for accident situations. The higher the speed the farther ahead your attention must be fixed.
2. Think ahead and plan emergency measures. Know your own and your car's capabilities. If the car ahead should suddenly block your lane, could you stop? Could you swerve to avoid an accident?
3. Be adaptable. Get the feel of changing traffic, road and weather conditions and adjust your speed immediately. Pace yourself by the traffic around you. This includes noting traffic behind through constant use of your rear-view mirror. Don't race, lag, or ride the bumper of the car ahead.
4. Take only your share of the road—in the proper place. Keep in the proper lane. Pass only when you see you have ample time and space to avoid cutting in and out. Signal all turns and lane changes.
5. Obey to the letter all traffic laws, signs, signals and the dictates of common sense and courtesy. If you make a mistake, don't lose your head. Don't jeopardize yourself and others by hasty, foolishly sudden moves.

If you're planning a simple outdoor meal for family members of a large community or family gathering, the following recipe will make a good addition that is simple to make.

CROWN 'O GOLD MEAT LOAF
1 1/2 cups fine soft bread crumbs
1 1/2 lbs. ground lean chuck beef
4 egg yolks
1 1/2 teaspoon salt
2 tablespoons mustard
1 1/2 tablespoons prepared horseradish
3 tablespoons finely diced green pepper
2 tablespoons minced onion
1/3 cup ketchup
Mix bread crumbs with the

meat. Combine remaining ingredients. Blend into meat-bread mixture. Pack lightly into a 9-inch casserole and bake in a moderate oven (325 degrees) 30 minutes.

To make toasting: beat 4 egg whites until foamy; add 1/4 teaspoon cream of tartar; continue beating until very stiff. Fold in 4 tablespoons mustard gently. Swirl on hot meat; return to oven; bake 20 to 25 minutes longer or until crown is tipped with brown. Makes 6 to 8 servings.

Another good recipe for any outdoor meal is Old English Date Pie. This pie can be made ahead of time as it keeps well and packs easily. If this pie is being served at home it can be dressed up by cutting pieces apart, arranging on a large cake plate with a dish of whipped cream on the center of the plate.

OLD ENGLISH DATE PIE
1 1/2 cups cut-up dates
1 1/2 cups cream or evaporated milk
3 eggs
1 cup sugar
1 1/2 teaspoons cinnamon
1/4 teaspoon nutmeg
1/2 teaspoon salt
2 tablespoons fine dry bread crumbs
2 teaspoons vanilla
3/4 cup shredded coconut
Line pie pan with pastry. Sprinkle sliced dates into pan. Combine remaining ingredients, except coconut and beat with rotary beater. Pour over dates in pastry lined pan. Bake in hot oven (450 degrees) for 15 minutes.

Reduce temperature to 325 degrees (slow oven). Sprinkle coconut over pie and continue to bake for 30 to 35 minutes longer or until it tests done within 1" from edge of knife. Serve with or without whipped cream.

For an appetizer that is different, mash a wedge of Roquefort cheese with a can of deviled ham. Serve on crisp crackers or hot toast points.

H. D. AGENT'S CORNER

Jimmie Lou Wainscott

--Be careful when firing charcoal briquettes, says the Texas Farm and Ranch Safety Council. This is a major problem when cooking over an outdoor grill. Don't let an accident mar your family's enjoyment of an outdoor barbecue.

The Council cites two rules

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to observe when starting a charcoal fire: never use gasoline, either raw or in a mixture, to kindle any fire, and never add any kind of liquid fuel after the fire has started.

There are several methods you can use to start a fire safely. Paper or excelsior under the briquettes takes time and fanning but produces results. Some manufacturers treat the briquettes with a substance that burns readily when ignited. These cost a little more but are easier to fire.

Kerosene or a commercial charcoal lighter fluid also may be used. Put some of the briquettes in a five quart oil can and pour the kerosene or starter fluid over the briquettes until they are saturated. Pour off the excess fluid and you can use it again.

Put the saturated briquettes in the pit or brazier and light. Use a long candle or a paper "wick", made by twisting a

sheet of newspaper into a tight "stick" shape. This will protect your hands.

Whether your grill or pit is located in the backyard, a lake-shore, park or recreation area, make sure it is located in an open space well away from buildings and trees, the Council cautions. Remember that the first B in barbecue stands for "Be Careful".

Sour cream continues to rise in popularity with homemakers, says the Texas Extension Service.

Try this recipe for chicken and sour cream.

Rub salt and pepper into the skin of a disjointed broiler or fryer. While this is flavoring, saute chopped onions in hot fat. Sprinkle generously with paprika. Use enough to give the onions a brilliant color. Add just a suggestion of vinegar.

Brown the seasoned chicken

in the onion mixture. Then cover tightly and simmer until chicken is fork tender. Remove the chicken from the pan and add flour to the drippings. Stir until uniformly thickened.

Then add equal parts of tomato juice and sour cream. About a half pint each will cover one chicken well. Blend until creamy.

Place chicken in the sauce. Cover tightly and simmer about 10 minutes. Serve hot.

Use this same recipe for individual casseroles featuring a breast of chicken for each guest.

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Senator Rogers To Be Governor For A Day



SENATOR ANDY ROGERS (right) of Childress is administered the oath of office by Lt. Governor Ramsey following his election as President Pro Tempore of the State Senate on June 17, 1959.

Senator Andy Rogers of the 30th Senatorial District will be honored on July 9 with the traditional "Governor for a Day" festivities.

Senator Rogers was recently elected President Pro Tempore of the State Senate for the second called session of the 56th Legislature in Austin. It is a tradition of long standing that on one day during his tenure of office, the President pro tem be extended the privileges, courtesies and honor of the Governor's office for a day.

On July 9, both Governor Daniel and Lt. Governor Ramsey will be out of the state and that date was chosen to honor Senator Rogers. He will perform all the customary functions of the Governor, including holding a press conference,

signing proclamations, land patents, paroles and other duties.

During the morning hours from 9:30 to 12 and in the afternoon from 2 to 5 p.m. Acting Governor and Mrs. Rogers will receive friends and guests in the Governor's Reception Room on the second floor of the State Capitol Building.

All occasions of the day, with the exception of a noon luncheon to be held at the Governor's Mansion, are open to the public and a cordial invitation is extended by Senator and Mrs. Rogers to their many friends all over the state and especially those in the 30th Senatorial District to participate in this full day of activities.

THE PARMER FARMER

by W. H. Graham Jr.

The philosophy of equal shares continues undiminished in the halls of the national legislature, if reports we read in the newspapers are correct. Last week President Eisenhower vetoed the wheat bill that would have provided 90 percent price supports but a 20 percent reduction in acreage for that commodity. Those were the things that got all the headlines.

But buried down inside the stories was an even more significant thing, and that is that both the house and the senate had agreed on an appropriations bill that would have limited price supports to \$50,000 to any one individual operator.

Now, \$50,000 may sound like quite a bit of money, and the fact of the matter is that it is, but do you have any idea what such a restriction would mean to our own area? If you don't, then get out a pencil and do a little figuring and you will come to the conclusion that large-scale, irrigated farming such as is common on the High Plains these days is really "big business" and that a \$50,000 yearly gross is not at all uncommon.

The idea behind the limitation is to reduce the threat of the so-called "factory farm" to the so-called "family farm." It would be interesting to try to define the two. You might want to try it. Chances are you'll come up with a "factory farm" definition that fits a lot of "family farm" operations around these parts.

Whatever a person, a group, or the government does, is either right or it is wrong. If price supports are wrong, then they should apply to no one, because they are wrong, period. If price supports are right, then they should be available to everyone, regardless of their income level. In effect, a limitation such as is planned will be one other federal means of leveling the income of the people. It will have the same effect as the graduated income tax. And, it will probably work the same way—that is, it will penalize the energetic, the ambitious, the intelligent, and the efficient, and will reward the drones, the inefficient, and those with inherent lesser abilities.

Continuing on a theme we touched on last week, that of making use of run-off water that collects in our playa lakes, we might mention that a pretty sizeable group of farmers, especially on the east and south-eastern part of the High Plains, make use of the water by pumping it directly to their crops.

Of course, we have centrifugal rigs here and there in the Parmer County area, but the lake water that is pumped to crops is indeed negligible compared to that which is allowed to evaporate in the hot summer months. As a matter of fact, these lakes which could be contributing to the irrigation water requirements for crops, are being fed from wells in the form of tailwater, rather than helping take up the slack.

That's the pattern here and it doesn't make much sense, but we're liable to see some changes in years to come.

To give you an idea of what may be in store, we visited with some of our in-laws the other day who farm over in

Briscoe County, on the edge of the caprock, where irrigation water is in mighty short supply in most places. The tight land of that area gives them a lot of water in a lot of lakes, but it's hard to find much around. The reason is that it has all been pumped back on the land. Surface lake irrigation units around Silverton are as common as tumbleweeds, and farmers don't waste any time getting the water back on the land after a rain.

The effect of this is to increase the effectiveness of the rainfall, of course, since rainfall is usually a very evenly distributed form of moisture that gets out of distribution only when it descends too fast or in too great an amount to be absorbed into the soil, and so collects in the playa depressions.

Another factor to keep in mind concerning lake water is that there is practically no problem at all attached to siltation—which is the greatest hazard to returning the water to underground sand formations.

The impellers of centrifugal pumps don't know muddy water from clear, and so there is virtually no interference with the system efficiency on account of suspended soil particles. Furthermore, this does represent a return (although small) of topsoil that was taken from the slopes to begin with after the rain came down.

Add to that the fact that lake water is nearly always considerably warmer than water pumped from the ground, especially in the warmer growing season, and you have enough benefits on the side of lake water to make it a very worthwhile consideration.

The surface lakes of the High Plains are on their way out—at least in areas where irrigated agriculture is carried on intensively. The water is going to be put to use, either to be added to underground storage and later pumped up by conventional means, or pumped directly to crops during the growing season. The cards are stacked that way.

Wheat Loans Slow

Wheat loans processed through the county ASC office have been very slow to date, although the harvest is well underway, says Prentice Mills, office manager.

The reason is because most farmers are holding off until after July 1 to see what the parity figure will be on that date. Last year it was increased slightly and the loan went from \$1.79 to \$1.83 a bushel.

Cutting Underway On Wheat Testing

Harvest is underway on another series of tests to determine the most effective types and applications of fertilizer on wheat grown in sandler-type soils of the area.

These tests, which are in their third year, have generated much interest among farmers who seek to increase wheat production on soils that are of the type included in the experiment.

This year the experiments are on the farms of Walter Kaltwasser and Sam Rundell in the Oklahoma Lane - Lariat area. They are called "off-station" experiments, and are run in cooperation with the Bushland Experiment Station.

All combinations of nitrogen and phosphorus and some potassium is included in the experiments.

Results of the experiments will be published in Farm and Home in the near future.

SOIL CONSERVATION DISTRICT NEWS



A 4-cent postage stamp saluting progress in soil conservation in the United States will be issued Aug. 26 by the Post Office Department, the U. S. Department of Agriculture announced today.

The Nation's first soil conservation stamp will be formally released at the annual meeting of the Soil Conservation Society of America at Rapid City, S.D., Aug. 26. It will go on sale the following day at post offices throughout the country.

The stamp, which was developed in cooperation with the U. S. Department of Agriculture, portrays a modern farmland setting signifying that conservation farming brings beauty as well as bounty to rural living. Soil conservation practices portrayed include contour stripcropping, terracing, pasture improvement, tree planting, and a farm pond. In addition, the silhouette of a city in the background symbolizes that urban as well as rural people are highly dependent upon the care and wise use of land as a principal source of food, water, shelter and clothing. The stamp will be printed in three colors, yellow, green and blue. A total of 120 million stamps has been ordered. The artist

WELL DRILLING STATISTICS FOR MAY

During the month of May, 158 new wells were drilled and registered with the District office; 33 replacement wells were drilled; and 13 wells were drilled that were either dry or non-productive for other reasons. 114 permits were issued by the County Committees.

The permits issued and wells completed for May follow by Counties:

County	Permits Issued	New Wells Drilled	Replacement Wells	Dry Holes Drilled
Armstrong	0	0	0	0
Bailey	10	4	1	0
Castro	10	10	3	0
Cochran	7	12	1	1
Deaf Smith	13	6	1	0
Floyd	10	17	3	1
Hockley	11	32	4	4
Lamb	9	20	2	3
Lubbock	8	22	9	3
Lynn	1	14	0	1
Parmer	16	18	9	0
Potter	0	0	0	0
Randall	19	3	0	0
Total	114	158	33	13

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INSTRUMENTS FILED WEEK ENDING JUNE 27, 1959

D. T. - Coleman D. McSpadden - Chris Jacobsen - 59,688 a of E/2 Sect. 18 Rhea B Deed - Lone Star Townsite Co. - Terminal Bldg. Corp. of Texas - Part Sect. 32 TIN R4E
M. Lien - Sam C. Cooke, et ux - Gifford-Hill-Western - W/2 Sect. 49 Johnson Z
M. Lien L. D. Taylor, et ux - Wm. H. Numm - Lots 3, 4, 5, 6 Blk 10 M & F Friona

is Walter Hortens of New York, a native of Vienna.

Issuance of the stamp, officials of the Department of Agriculture said, is a tribute to farmers and ranchers, their local soil conservation districts and to the professional conservationists and other agricultural workers who have helped make the United States a world leader in soil conservation.

Observances are planned in most of the Nation's 2,840 soil conservation districts in cooperation with various agricultural, industrial, civic and conservation groups. First-day "covers" containing the stamp are available through the Postmaster at Rapid City, S. D. Upon request and receipt of addressed envelopes and a remittance to cover the cost of the stamps, the post office at Rapid City will place the new stamp on the envelopes, cancel them with a special cancellation mark used only on that day and at that place, and mail the envelopes on the first day of issue.

D. T. - Cleo Fulton, et ux - First Fed. Sav. & Loan - Lot 7 Blk 2 Hillcrest - Farwell
W. D. - Lazbuddy Methodist Ch. - Lazbuddy School Dist. - 75' x 110' Tract in Sec. 70 Kelly H

D. T. - C. G. Davis, et ux - O. C. Sikes - Lots 5, 6, 7 & 8 Blk 57 Farwell
W. D. - Benthall Miller - Marvin Lawson - E/2 Lots 5 & 6 Blk 24 Friona

W. D. - Edith Galloway Hannold, et vir - F. W. Holcomb - Part Sect. 5 TIN R1E

D. T. - F. W. Holcomb, et ux - W. L. Hannold - Part Sect. 5 TIN R1E

W. D. - Hinda Wilde, et vir - Noma Nabors Lokley - Lots 19 & 20 Blk 2 Farwell

W. D. - Charles L. Lenau, et al - Alton A. Milstead - W 61' Lot 4 & E 5' Lot 3 Blk 1 Hillcrest - Farwell

D. T. - Alton A. Milstead - Adm. of Veterans Affairs - W 61' Lot 4 & E 5' Lot 3 Blk 1 Hillcrest - Farwell

Abst. Judg. - Magnolia Petroleum Co. - Edens Brothers - S. R.
W. D. - R. L. Rule - A. P. McGee - NW/4 & 39 a of SW/4 Sect. 8 TSS R4E

The first loan in the nation made to enable a local public improvement organization to participate in a small watershed development project has been approved by the Farmers Home Administration for the use of a group in New Jersey.

The loan will be used to rebuild a dike and for installing three tide gates. Details on the program, points out Jack Barton, extension soil and water available from local FHA representatives.

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Celia Barraza, Sonny Brito Are Married June 20th

Celia Barraza, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Marcello Barraza of Ackerly, became the bride of Sonny Brito, son of Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Brito of Bovina, June 20 in St. Ann's Catholic Church here.

The Rev. Nathaniel Madden Hereford read the singleing ceremony before an altar decorated with pink and white adolias. Mrs. Laritta Kitten ayed softly on the organ throughout the ceremony.

Mrs. Kino Barraza, sister-in-law of the bride, was matron honor. She wore a waltz length gown of pink organza, with matching picture hat and carried a nosegay of pink carnations.

Bridesmaids were Misses Toni Barraza, Bovina, cousin of the bride, and Aracelia Anaya, Ackerly. They wore gowns and carried nosegays identical to that of the matron of honor.

Junior bridesmaids were sisters of the bride, Misses Delia and Aphelia Barraza of Ackerly. Their gowns were of white organza with large blue polka dots and blue fitted bodices. They carried nosegays of blue carnations.

Kino Barraza, brother of the bride, was best man.

Ushers were Antulio Barraza, cousin of the bride, Ackerly, and Robert Madrid of Midland.

The bride was given in marriage by her father. She wore a white waltz - length gown of chantilly lace and net over taffeta, featuring a fitted bodice with a scalloped neckline embroidered with iridescent sequins and seed pearls. From this stemmed a bouffant gathered skirt. She wore matching mitts and her fingertip veil fell from a queen's crown of seed pearls. She carried a cascade bouquet of white sweet-heart roses with a shower of

white satin streamers on a white satin covered prayer book.

A reception followed the ceremony at the home of Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Brito. The refreshment table carried out the bride's colors. It was laid with white lace over pink.

The wedding cake had white floral trim and was topped with figurines of a bride and groom under a heart-shaped arch. Serving the punch and cake were Miss Mary Equivel and Mrs. Dino Garcia. The groom's sister presided at the bride's book.

For the wedding trip to Carlsbad, the bride chose a two-piece dress of light blue trimmed with white, and white accessories.

The bride and bridegroom are graduates of Bovina High School. He is employed at Ed's Auto Service. The couple will reside in Bovina.

W.S.C.S. Meets Last Week

W.S.C.S. had its regular meeting last week in the Methodist Church parlor.

Mrs. Lewis Pesch led the devotional for the prayer groups. Song for the program was "Take Time to be Holy." Mr. Frank Hastings gave a program on student work.

In the business meeting, it was decided to have an ice cream supper in the near future.

Those present were Mesdames Frank Hastings, Jimmie Charles, Rouel Barron, George Turner, Henry Ivy, John Dixon, Lewis Pesch, E. M. Ware, and a visitor, Mrs. B. L. Perry, Mrs. Dixon's mother.

Congratulations

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Tom Ware on the birth of their daughter, Loretta Kim, Wednesday in Parmer County Community Hospital in Friona. The baby weighed 8 pounds. Mrs. Ware and daughter were released from the hospital Saturday afternoon.

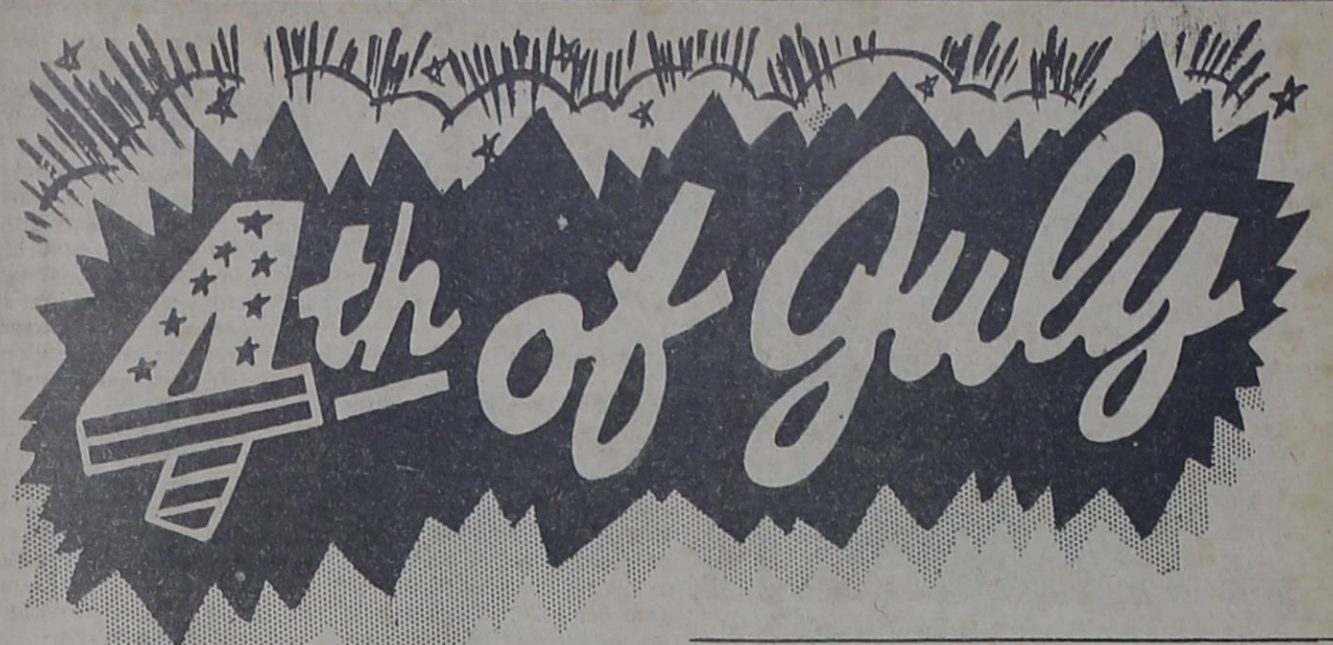
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HERMAN WOELFEL POINTS OUT--

Area Changes In 24 Years

A lot can change in 24 years--people, towns and even entire areas. Mr. and Mrs. Herman Woelfel flew to Bovina from Washington last week to visit his brother and family, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Woelfel and Nickie. It was the first time Herman had been in Texas since 1935--24 years ago. He left during the height of the depression, when people who were lucky enough to find

a job were paid a dollar a day. He wrecked a truck and lost the only job available. With no way to earn a living and no prospects for betterment, he hitch-hiked to Washington to visit a sister. He didn't come back until last week. The couple, who now live in Takoma, Wash., flew the 2200 miles from there to the Friona airport in a Piper Comanche. The plane is owned by Takoma Tri-Pacer Flying Assn. Inc.,

a flying club of which Woelfel is a member. What's it like to come back to a place you haven't seen in 24 years? Woelfel says he couldn't have been more surprised. "When I left here there was nothing living except a few weeds. Irrigation was unheard of and a seven-year drought in the Panhandle, Colorado and Kansas had covered this area with alkali dust that made farming a lost cause. Most of the land was being pastured and what land people were trying to farm was in the process of blowing away," Woelfel recalls. Mother Nature and the U. S. economy were throwing all they had at the Panhandle area. Jobs were non-existent and Woelfel decided to seek greener pastures. Apparently he found them because he left Bovina hitch-hiking and flew back in a private plane 24 years later.

"When I left Bovina, there were only two or three good houses here. The rest were shacks, and there were not too many of them. There were some telephones in town but none of the utility poles reached the rural areas. Streets were unpaved. There was no city water or sewer system," Woelfel said. After Woelfel left Bovina, he worked at several different jobs before settling on his present job -- carpentering. He served in the SeeBees 26 months during World War II. Woelfel hadn't kept up with the progress of the Plains during his long absence. "I hadn't even heard about the coming of irrigation and I couldn't imagine such a change as has occurred since I was here last," he said. "I was expecting tumbleweeds and dust storms like they had here during the 30's. In the 30's, you could expect a dust storm nearly every day, and they were the worst I ever saw. The alkali dust that blew down from Colorado made living here almost unbearable."

When asked why he waited so long to come back to Texas, Woelfel explained that he just had never been able to get away from his work and other obligations. "I have been promising my wife I would show her Texas for the last 14 years but until now, we just couldn't get off. We couldn't have come this time if we hadn't had the plane. Driving would have taken all our time if we had come by car. It is long enough for the trip in the plane took about 14 flying hours." Woelfel is sold on flying. He took flying lessons after the war through the GI Bill. Last year he became a member of the Tri-Pacer Flying Association and is now eligible to check out the Comanche for as long as two weeks at a time. Twenty-four years is a long time. It is long enough for a man to leave a desert region where no opportunity exists as a hitch-hiker and come back in an airplane to find one of the richest farming areas in this country.

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FOR LEASE--120 acres of good grass near Oklahoma Lane. Mrs. Tom Foster, ADams 8-2941. 2-2tc

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We express sincere appreciation to Bovina and Friona fire departments, friends, and neighbors for their help during the fire in our wheatfield Sunday afternoon.
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Sisters Meet At El Paso For First Time In 13 Years

Mrs. Fannie Burnham of Bovina attended a reunion with her five sisters in El Paso last week. It was the first time the five had been together in 13 years. The sisters, whose ages total 366 years, met at the home of Mrs. Henry Aulick of El Paso. They are Mrs. Burnham, 75,

of Bovina; Mrs. Mary Reed, 80, of El Paso; Mrs. Maggie Nations, 78, of Tucumcari; Mrs. Emma Mann, 69, of San Diego, Calif.; and Mrs. Robert Turner, 64, of Albuquerque. The sisters had a family picnic with sons, daughters, six grandchildren and one great-grand child.

Mrs. Aulick is the daughter of Mrs. Nations. Others present included Mr. and Mrs. Pete Reed and family; Mrs. Howard Holt of Carlsbad, daughter of Mrs. Nations; Mr. and Mrs. M. J. DeOlivera of Las Cruces and Mr. and Mrs. John J. Shaw of El Paso. Mr. DeOlivera is the son of Mrs. Mann and Mrs. Shaw is the daughter of Mrs. Turner. "When the other sisters learned that Mrs. Mann was coming from San Diego, they all decided to visit El Paso and see each other," Mrs. Aulick said. "Of course, Mrs. Reed was already here."

Man blames fate for all accidents but feels personally responsible when he makes a hole-in-one.--Gilcraft

Mrs. Sudderth Attends Methodist Conference

Mrs. Billie Sudderth returned Saturday night from Mount Sequoyah at Fayetteville, Ark., where she attended a Methodist School of Missions. Mrs. Sudderth went with three other officers in Northwest Texas Conference. Mrs. Johnnie Williams of Adrian, Mrs. H. L. Henderson of Earth and Mrs. A. E. Campbell of Anton. Theme for the week was "To Kindle a Glowing Light." Numerous talks were given by missionaries and students working in foreign fields. Films and slides were shown. Mrs. Sudderth took the study on Africa. Her teacher was Mrs. E. Ralph Dodge, wife of Bishop Dodge. He is bishop in Southern Rhodesia. Mrs. Dodge is in the United States for six months giving lectures and studies about Africa.

A highlight of the week was a conference dinner Thursday evening. All members of each conference sat together. They presented a skit pertaining to their part of the country. Badges of the North West Texas Conference were shaped like Texas with the Golden Spread painted gold. There was also a picture of wheat, cotton, a white-faced steer and an oil well on each badge. The skit presented by North West Texas Conference was a song "Up at the Top of Texas" sung to the tune of "Deep in the Heart of Texas" and a square dance. Mrs. Sudderth summed the week up in one sentence. "It was truly a wonderful mountain-top experience."

Mrs. Sudderth also attended a clinic of the jurisdiction under the title of Secretary of Promotion. She was the conference representative for this phase of Methodist work. There was a Bible hour each day given by Dr. John W. Norris of New York City. A member of the Methodist Board of Missions. A vesper service was the last thing each evening. There was a talk given by a missionary and songs.

Whittlin'
situation. Unusual rains lately bring this idea up again. Just a little bit of moisture makes a muddy mess out of this important street. Another improvement Third Street needs, we think, is a stop light where it intersects with Main Street! We don't mean a caution light--what good do they do? --but a full-fledged red and green job. Frankly, we don't know whether there's enough traffic at the intersection to justify a light according to official regulations, but it seems to us that such a traffic control would make for greater safety as well as convenience. * * * * * Anybody care to light a ball-park?

Party Honors Ken Loflin

Ken Loflin, grandson of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Loflin, celebrated his third birthday June 20 in his grandparents' home. Ken's friends played games in the house and had ice cream and a birthday cake. They also received balloons and little hats as favors. Those present were Pam Wilson, Jan Gromowsky, Gary, Ginger, Debbie Goyer, Brenda Charles and Jan Marla of Clovis.

Men are often capable of greater things than they perform.--They are sent into the world with bills of credit and seldom draw to their full extent.--Horace Walpole.

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