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Census Report

Donley County, along with other counties in this area that have depended on farmers for a large percent of their population, suffered a tremendous loss from 1950 to 1960 according to unofficial reports received recently.

Hedley, while not dropping nearly as much as most of the area will show a small loss in population during the period. Unofficial report is about 500 with a little more if some of the "in and outers" can be located.

According to the meter connections we were at low ebb about three years ago. During the last two years the city has been growing steadily. 1959 was our biggest year. According to figures from our lumber yard the first quarter of 1960 shows about \$1,000 over that period last year.

D. I. Barnett of the City Gas Company reported 234 meter connections in Hedley. The state average is 4 persons per meter, which means our population should be 936. Our population only shows about 2½ persons per meter. One reason is the city limits area is small, and the line is irregular, with several houses outside the limits. Another reason for the variation is that some of the houses are not completed, and the repairs on some have kept them not ready for occupancy. Still the biggest reason is the lack of work for younger people who have the larger families. We hope these things can be remedied, and Hedley can soon show the 1000 or more population which it should have, and can readily handle.

Lelia Lake-Hedley PTA

Officers for the coming year were installed Monday night at the PTA meeting by Mrs. Roy Jewell in an impressive ceremony. Officers installed were Mrs. Wayne Latimer, president; Mrs. Johnny Myers, vice president; Mrs. N. E. Shields, secretary and Mrs. Sue Weatherly, treasurer.

Mrs. A. G. Alexander gave a talk on Vision and Venture, prayer was led Lyndon Dunn and the program closed with a film entitled "A Desk for Billy."

A social hour was enjoyed following the program.

Frank Kendall is reported doing nicely after an operation in a Memphis hospital.

Giles Picnic

It's time again for the Giles picnic. The ground has been cleaned of the debris from last summer's windstorm, the dance platform has been doubled in size, and the beef is fattening for a bigger and better Celebration.

Lowell Houston, Mayor of Giles, and Sheriff Walter Johnson and his deputy Gerald Knight will be on hand to see that everyone has a good time. There will be plenty of music, headed by Richard Stotts aided by Mack Graham, Walter Johnson and J. B. Yates. Milton Beasley and his square dancers will be there that night.

It is hoped that Cotton John Smith of KGNC will be there, together with Bill Rhue and his camera to record the event.

Activities will really start when barbecue king Flip Breedlove moves in with his bean pot and cotton gloves, and Jiggs Land will be there to make pizza pies. Both dinner and supper will be served.

Since sunbonnets have become traditional with the Giles picnic ladies, if you don't have one see Mrs. Charlie Crow, 1410 Main St., Memphis.

If you've never attended a Giles picnic, you've missed the time of your life. For the best food you ever tasted and a bang-up good time come to the Giles picnic May 30.

Piano Recital

Mrs. Loyd Bailey will present her piano pupils in recital Friday, May 20, at the Methodist Church beginning at 8:00 p. m. The public is cordially invited.

Thomas N. Longshore

Funeral services for Thomas Neel Longshore, 55, who passed away Saturday at Memphis, were held Sunday from the Spicer Funeral Home chapel there by Rev. L. E. Barrett. Burial was in the Memphis cemetery under direction of Spicer Funeral Home.

Mr. Longshore was born Feb. 14, 1905, in Donley County. He is survived by three brothers, J. W. of Memphis, Richard of Los Angeles, Calif., and Roy of Phoenix, Ariz., and four sisters, Mrs. J. D. Harrison of Clarendon, Mrs. W. W. Richards of Memphis, Mrs. G. W. Lockhart of Amarillo and Mrs. Henry Moore of Hedley.

Close of School

The close of school activities will begin Sunday, May 22, with the baccalaureate services at 11 a. m. in the high school auditorium. Min. E. A. Sanders will deliver the sermon, and Rev. J. S. Tipton will give the Scripture reading.

On Tuesday, May 24, the commencement exercises will be held in the auditorium. Dr. C. L. Kay will make the address to the graduates. Mary Baker will give the invocation, Buddy Jones the benediction, and W. B. Wiggins will present the diplomas.

Don Cox is valedictorian of the class, and Billy Wiggins is salutatorian.

The 8th grade commencement exercises at Lelia Lake will be held there at 8 p. m. Friday night, May 27. Rev. W. R. Lawrence of Clarendon will deliver the address to the graduates.

Valedictorian at Lelia Lake is Leetta Shields and salutatorian is Katrina Snelson.

Run-off Primary June 4

There are no local issues to be resolved in the second primary; however, we do have a State race to be decided between W. T. McDonald and Lloyd W. Davidson for the Court of Criminal Appeals. There seemed to be very little interest in this race in the First Primary, and due to the terrific cost of holding elections, the County Executive Committee has decided to have one voting box located at the County Court House. This box will be open from 8 a. m. to 7 p. m., Saturday, June 4th. The voters in all four precincts will be eligible to vote in this box. Be sure and tell your friends and neighbors who are interested in this race.

Greenbelt Dam News

A letter from E. Kenneth Toolay, editor of the Paducah Post, and Paducah director for the Greenbelt Water Authority, reveals that, regardless of the fact that Paducah now has several good water wells, there is no basis for the rumor that Paducah is no longer interested in the Greenbelt dam. Mr. Toolay states that Paducah is still very much interested, and will stay in the project until it is brought to a successful conclusion.

To Wed May 21

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Sanders announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Jean, to Gerald Rice, son of Mr. and Mrs. Pete Rice of Quitaque.

The wedding will take place Saturday, May 21, at 8 p. m. at the First Baptist Church in Hedley.

Friends of the couple are invited to attend.

On All-Star Team

Dean Abel of Clarendon Junior College has reported to the Informer that Bobby Lesley, 1959 graduate of Hedley High School, has played in a starting position on the Clarendon Junior College Bulldog team during the 1959-60 season. The Bulldogs played in the West Zone of the Texas Junior College Athletic Conference.

The conference held its annual meeting at San Antonio, May 1, at which time Bobby Lesley was selected on the first all star team from the West Zone by a ballot of the coaches of that conference.

Bobby has another year of eligibility at Clarendon Junior College, and the Dean reports that the college expects Bobby to be top man in the entire conference next season.

Lecture Series

Min. Anthony Tibodeaux of Wellington delivered a series of five lectures last week in the Hedley schools on the agreement of the Bible and science. Everyone enjoyed the series very much.

Baseball News

All who are interested in the Little League baseball are requested to meet at the City Hall on Sunday, May 22, at 3 p. m.

M. L. Baker is recovering successfully from a recent operation in the M. D. Anderson clinic at Houston. His home address is 2618 Helena in Houston.

Judy and Rusty Baker of Amarillo visited in the Harrison Hall home last week end.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Jewell visited Paul Dishman and family at Dallas last week.

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Rain!
Hedley received some four inches of rain Tuesday, very welcome to this area.

Miss Stotts Honored
Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Foster entertained with a buffet supper in their home last Thursday evening honoring their niece, Nelda Stotts, who is a 1960 graduate. The home was decorated with iris and roses.

Guests were seated at tables centered with bud vases of red roses. The places were marked with white scrolls tied with blue ribbon carrying out the Senior Class colors. The scrolls held "Jewelled Hair Nets."
A menu of meat loaf, green beans, buttered potatoes, asparagus, congealed salad, garden salad, hot rolls, tea and lemon cream pie was enjoyed.

Those present were Colleen Younger, Jean Ward, Mary Baker, Barbara Ward, Mrs. Mary Stotts, Mrs. G. T. Foster, Nelda Stotts and Mr. and Mrs. Foster.

Lelia Lake M. Y. F.
The meeting was opened with prayer by Jerry White. There were seven present. Young people had charge of the worship service. Our program was on Africa. We were dismissed by the MYF benediction.

Reporter
Mr. and Mrs. P. E. Haskins of Enid, Okla., visited his son, Don Haskins, and family last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Milton Foster and Donna of Masterson spent the week end in Giles visiting Mrs. G. T. Foster.

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LIONS ROAR

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At our next meeting, May 26th, we have an out of town program planned, and at that time the plans will be completed for the Zone Social to be held in June, and for a ladies night and installation of officers set for the fourth Thursday in June.

All Lions are urged to attend the meeting next week, and help get the last month of our fiscal year started off right. There will be a report of the building, and finance committees, and some other business to take care of.

The W. P. Dohertys visited in Denver City last week end.

Myrtle Reeves spent the week end visiting in Amarillo and Plainview.

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Two Die In Wreck

Two men were killed in a head-on collision Tuesday afternoon a mile west of town on highway 287. They were Paul Marshall, 29, of Childress, a motor vehicle inspector for the Texas Dept. of Public Safety, and Ell McCarley, 70, of Pampa.

Highway patrolman Bill Cornelius investigated the accident.

Road Meeting

A group from Hedley and McLean met Monday afternoon in the City Hall and discussed the proposed Hedley-McLean road. R. W. Scales was re elected chairman of the group and A. G. Alexander was elected secretary.



LEGION NEWS

Several local Legionnaires and ladies attended the 4th Division meeting of the American Legion at Amarillo last week end. With a last minute membership drive the local post increased their membership for 1960 to 104 and were allowed 6 voting delegates at the Convention. The post received a citation for increasing their membership and Acting Commander Alton DeBord received a nice badge for this accomplishment.

A committee was appointed to mark veterans' graves and assist in Memorial Day services at the Rowe Cemetery. The committee consists of Alton DeBord, Chairman, Aubrey Cherry, O'Neill Weatherly, Herman Kirkpatrick and John M. Tate

For the American Legion boys baseball team Aubrey Cherry was appointed manager and Lloyd Leggett coach. The boys won their first game here last week over Quail 3 to 2, with Dickie Moffitt pitching and Don Meador catching

Baseball News

The local American Legion Post is sponsoring a baseball team this year, for boys through the age of 17. Any boy is eligible who goes to school in this area, and who will not be 18 before Sept. 1.

In a practice game last Wednesday with Quail on Hedley's home grounds, our local team fared pretty well. In a pitchers' duel between Moffitt for Hedley and Boyce for Quail, the Hedley team came out with three runs to Quail's two. Moffitt only gave up two hits and walked two men during his fine performance.

Jess Nance of Carlsbad, N Mex. visited here last week end.

Frank Kendall

After our front page was printed Tuesday afternoon, the sad news came that one of our oldest friends, Frank Kendall, had passed away in a Memphis hospital. Up to a short time before his death, his condition was thought to be gradually improving.

Funeral services were set for 10 o'clock Thursday morning at the Methodist Church here.

A suitable obituary will appear in next week's issue

Birthday Dinner

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Stepp, Mr. and Mrs. Woodroe Farris, Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Word, Mrs. R. L. Farris, Mr and Mrs. Bill Clay, Mr. and Mrs. F. S. Blackwell, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Adams and girls Marie and Janet, met in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Nivens Sunday after church with basket lunches, to celebrate the birthdays of Mrs. J. C. Stepp, Bill Clay, Joe Adams and Henry Nivens. It was a big surprise to Henry. In the afternoon Mr and Mrs Ben Nivens from Dumas came by and had supper. All had a nice visit and enjoyed everything.

Mrs. Charlie Foster is spending the week in Childress with her parents, Mr and Mrs J. L. Williams. Mr. Williams is ill.

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FHA News

Beginning June 1st the home-making girls who want to make a half credit during June may do so if they meet the requirements. Some of the things which they may take at school and at home are as follows:

Sewing ten days in afternoons at school beginning June 6th through the 17th.

Things to do at home: home beautification, washing curtains, waxing floors, painting or papering rooms, preparing meals, washing dishes, shopping for groceries, canning, freezing, child care or laundry.

A fiend trip to Amarillo to see and study the following: Microwave stove, Singer sewing machine shop, furniture stores, dry goods stores, silver, china, glass ware.

Adult work: either first aid, refinishing furniture or sewing.

Visitors in the J. Royce Hall home Sunday included Duane Naylor and sons and Mr. Jackson of Thalia. Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Naylor of Wichita Falls and Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Naylor and children of Etter.

Mrs. Natie Smith and family of Dumas and A. A. Cooper of Amarillo visited here Sunday.

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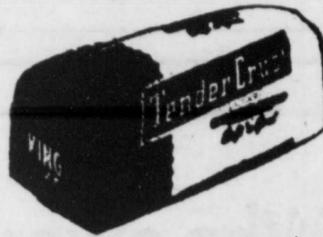
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